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Khaled receives Mauritania, Cape Verde officials

RIYADH, Dec. 24 (SPA) — King Khaled received Sunday Muhammad Ould Loli, member of Mauritania's National Salvation Committee and minister of planning who is visiting the Kingdom.

The meeting was attended by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, Dr. Rashad Pharaon, the King's personal adviser, and Justice Minister Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Sheikh.

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MAURITANIAN AIDE: King Khaled receiving Sunday Muhammad Ould Loli, member of Mauritania's National Salvation Committee and minister of planning.

Bid to revive treaty talks fails; Vance returns home

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance headed back to Washington after failing in his bid to have Israel and Egypt agree on a date to resume peace treaty negotiations.

After a four-hour meeting here Sunday, Vance said Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan will report to their governments and discuss the next steps with him.

Asked if any date had been fixed to resume the negotiations since the Israeli government rejected Egypt's latest proposals on Dec. 15, Vance replied: "No date."

Diplomatic sources said Vance proposed that the negotiations resume between "experts," the lowest of several possible government levels.

The sources added that Vance did not want new meetings at the higher foreign ministers level because he feared that this would lead to a complete reopening of controversies over points already settled.

For the moment, the U.S. was ruling out a new summit meeting.

The expert level meetings would involve senior officials from both governments such as the directors-general of the two foreign ministries.

Vance, reading a short statement flanked by Khalil and Dayan, said they had a "useful and full exchange of views on the outstanding issues."

Khalil and Dayan refused to make any statements after the meeting.

Later a U.S. State Department spokesman said that the three parties at the Brussels meeting had decided not to continue public discussions on these issues.

According to the spokesman the subject of the Brussels talks ranged over "not only procedural issues but also substantive ones."

He said Khalil, Dayan and Vance met with their aides for breakfast for about 40 minutes, then they continued without their aides for about three hours.

According to the spokesman, the U.S. had not come to the meeting with any concrete proposals.

Dayan said Saturday night that he was in the Belgian capital to have "talks about the talks."

Sadat reiterates Israel aborting peace accord

CAIRO, Dec. 24 (Agencies) — President Anwar Sadat Saturday accused Israel of obstructing the peace process and opposing a comprehensive Middle East settlement.

In a message marking the 22nd anniversary of the evacuation of Port Said by British and French troops after the 1956 Suez Canal invasion, Sadat said:

"Israeli expansionist dreams and attempts to dissociate itself from the framework of a comprehensive settlement are obstructing the peace process."

Sadat's message was read by interior minister Nabawi Ismail during a political rally in Port Said and broadcast by Cairo radio.

"The Israelis have to know that we are not seeking peace out of despair," Sadat's message said.

Meanwhile, Defense Minister Kamel Hassan Ali declared in a televised interview that the Egyptian armed forces will be strengthened "with a view to living up to our defense commitments toward the Arab world and Africa, if need be."

"If we are not strong enough, we stand to lose part of our territory and squander our rights," he said. "Egypt's military strategy calls for strength, to promote and protect the overall peace that we all cherish."

He said that Egypt will pursue its five-year-old policy of diversifying its sources of weaponry "rather than rely exclusively on the Soviets."

For this, he said, Egypt will continue to obtain weapons from the United States and West European countries while carrying on its own Arab-financed arms production.

Like Sadat, Ali criticized some unnamed Israeli leaders for "their inability to appreciate the virtues of comprehensive peace in the Middle East." But he added that there are some leaders in the Jewish state who are "enough enlightened to value the nature of the upcoming peace trends."

Ali credited U.S. President Jimmy Carter's administration for endeavoring to "lay down the basis of a solid, rightful and just peace" in the Middle East.

Acting Foreign Minister Butros Ghali also was quoted by the weekly magazine "October" as telling Arab ambassadors in Cairo that "Egypt has rejected temptations by Israel" to sign a separate peace treaty.

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U.S. embassy attacked

Riots break out across Tehran; 2 killed

TEHRAN, Dec. 24 (Agencies) — Anti-Shah and anti-American rioting broke out across Tehran Sunday and witnesses said troops shot and killed two persons during a demonstration by several hundred youths outside the U.S. embassy.

Hundreds of other demonstrators surged through downtown streets, skirmishing with soldiers and police officers. Troops used heavy amounts of tear gas as the demonstrators rushed quickly from block to block.

Witnesses at the U.S. embassy said rioters burned an automobile in front of the building and tried unsuccessfully to enter the building.

Elsewhere, demonstrators in the downtown area set refuse on fire and massed in chanting groups until police and soldiers gathered to disperse them.

The demonstrations were the biggest in the Iranian capital since several hundred thousand protesters marched against the rule of the Shah on Dec. 2. The last major rioting was Dec. 10, when nine demonstrators were killed by security forces.

U.S. embassy officials said the protest there began at about 12:30 p.m., with demonstrators, many of them

apparently of high school age, throwing a hail of rocks into the embassy compound. The officials said U.S. Marine guards at the embassy fired tear gas charges at the mob, with the shells landing outside the embassy compound.

Embassy officials and witnesses said they heard a heavy shooting in the area.

Many blocks of the downtown Tehran area were paralyzed Sunday as a business day in Iran and stores and traffic had been running normally before the trouble broke out.

The rioting came as the government continued attempts — largely unsuccessful on Saturday to reopen the city's high schools. Many pupils left classes Saturday and joined street demonstrations against the Shah.

Demonstrations also broke out Sunday in the tense Tehran university area, which was guarded by a reinforced unit of troops toting automatic weapons and backed up by machine guns mounted on trucks.

The university was closed by the government following rioting there last month.

The state radio said Sunday that there was rioting in "scattered parts" of the city and



IN FLAMES: Rioters in Tehran watching a truck go up in flames after soldiers fought all-day skirmishes with anti-Shah protesters in the city center. — (Wirephoto)

in some provincial towns. But it gave no details.

But government officials in the holy city of Mashhad 700 km (430 miles) northeast of Tehran, said thousands of people participated in demonstrations there on Sunday.

The officials, reached by telephone from Tehran, said there were two "clashes" between demonstrators and security forces and that troops fired into the air and used tear gas. No report of casualties to Mashhad was available.

Opposition members in Tehran said the Mashhad demonstrations were in response to incidents Saturday when troops killed 29 persons near the home of a local religious leader. The figure of 29 dead was given by hospital doctors in the city.

Demonstrators also stormed the main offices of Iran Air, causing extensive damage to the airline computer system.

Alkhor Nazemi, press spokesman for the airline, said damage had not been assessed but it was expected to run into millions of dollars.

U.S. security officials

meanwhile flew to southern Iran Sunday to try to tighten security for U.S. citizens following the machine-gun murder of one of their number Saturday.

The U.S. embassy said its security men also would investigate the death of the American at the southern town of Ahvaz.

He was Paul Grimm, an executive of the American oil company Texaco on loan to the Western oil consortium, the Oil Service Company (OSCO), as its general manager of operations.

In Paris exiled Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini Sunday called on Christians to pray for an end to the Shah's regime.

Ayatollah Khomeini, 78, who moved to a house east of Paris from exile in Iraq in October, called on Christian clergy to condemn international backing for the Shah.

"I, in the name of the oppressed people of Iran, am asking you Christian nations to pray for our nation...and to beg Almighty God for its liberation," his message said.

Mideast enters another turbulent year

CAIRO, Dec. 24 (AP) — Egypt and Israel are struggling in their negotiations for a peace treaty to end three decades of hostility, but the Middle East remains one of the world's most volatile regions in 1979.

Riots and strikes in Iran, persistent intercommunal violence in Lebanon, a simmering guerrilla war in the Sahara and Palestinian commando activity aimed at Israel seem certain to spill into the new year.

Other potential hot spots are Southern Sudan, the Libyan-Egyptian border, and the southern tip of the Arabia Peninsula.

In the background, the United States and the Soviet Union jockeyed for influence and for control of strategic areas such as the entrance to the Gulf from which most of the Western world's oil is supplied.

Western hopes were pinned on Egypt and Israel. At year's end, both Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin are insisting that a treaty would be concluded. Diplomats predicted the last hurdles would be cleared by early 1979, but the nagging issue of how much autonomy to give the Palestinians threatened to unravel the agreement at any stage — even after a signing.

Arab radicals, led by Syria and Palestine Liberation organization, vowed to undermine any "separate peace." Analysts predicted these threats would be transformed into a renewed commando campaign against the Israelis.

All-out war appeared extremely doubtful, even without an Egyptian-Israeli accord that left Lebanon as the most likely

sparring ground for the Israelis, who support the rightist militias, and rejectionist Arabs, who back the Palestinians and leftist Lebanese.

Lebanon's best hopes seem to lie in an overall solution to the Mideast conflict. That seems possible, in the Western view, only if moderate states backed Jordan's entrance into the peace negotiations, which would put Syria under great pressure to follow suit. Such a move would undoubtedly shatter the new Syrian-Iraq alliance that emerged at the Baghdad Arab summit in November.

Conservative Arab states have shown no signs of endorsing a pax Americana in the Middle East. Indeed, they joined Arab radicals at Baghdad in a show of unity against what they see as the "insufficient" Camp David accords.

Observers believed the moderates were trying to maintain influence with Syria.

The unrest that threatens the Shah's regime in Iran also worried conservative Arab states, which see Iran as a buffer between the Soviets and the Gulf region.

The Shah's troubles began with protests by Shiites opposed to reforms that gave women increasing personal freedom and the intrusion of Western permissiveness via movies and television.

The tempo and size of demonstrations increased, becoming increasingly anti-Shah. Key industries such as oil were crippled by strikes and two civilian governments collapsed amid charges of corruption.

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After an unscheduled meeting with Khalil he told reporters: "We did not try to find a solution but we did try to define the problem."

The two men's unexpected meeting before and over dinner Saturday night was brought about by Vance's delayed arrival in Brussels late Saturday evening due to unexpected last minute snags in the strategic arms limitation talks in Geneva.

Saturday night Vance had only short separate talks in his hotel with Khalil and Dayan. After these talks Israeli sources said both sides appeared to be sticking to firm positions.

Egyptian sources said Khalil set out to Dayan Cairo's views on peace in the whole Middle East region.

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Issues not resolved

U.S. officials discount January SALT summit

up to the latest Vance-Gromyko meeting.

Aides said Vance was disappointed with the outcome of the Geneva meeting, which he had hoped would mark the end of six years of tough negotiations.

The talks were unexpectedly extended to a third day Saturday, but even the additional 72 hours of talks failed to settle all the remaining differences.

Asked what went wrong the administration official said two new issues were introduced into the talks. In addition, some of the issues already on the table turned out to be much more complex and difficult than had been anticipated, the official said. He would not elaborate.

The official was asked to explain the discrepancy between optimistic predictions of a virtual agreement on Friday night and Saturday's inconclusive results.

He said the Soviet attitude at the final day of talks had been less forthcoming than in the first two days, but he said he didn't know why.

Quiet elsewhere

Pro-Gandhi rioters disrupt Bombay life

NEW DELHI, Dec. 24 (R) — Supporters of former Indian Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi went on the rampage in Bombay Sunday, burning buses, cars and stoning suburban trains.

But few violent incidents were reported from the rest of the country as the nationwide agitation over Mrs. Gandhi's arrest last Tuesday generally subsided.

So far 19 people have been killed and nearly 100,000 arrested in the riots.

Road traffic in Bombay was virtually crippled as groups of her wing of the Congress Party attacked buses, trains and cars and forced shops and factories to close down.

Three buses and two cars were burnt and some 300 buses damaged by stones. Police cane-charged mobs at several places.

In the city of Amritsar in Punjab state, Mrs. Gandhi's supporters hammered huge nails into a cricket pitch and

engraved slogans on it condemning her arrest.

At Nellore in Andhra Pradesh state in the south ruled by her Congress Party, two explosions damaged a railway track and disrupted train traffic, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said.

Mrs. Gandhi was expelled from the lower house (Lok Sabha) of parliament and jailed for breach of privilege and contempt of parliament last Tuesday.

She was found guilty of harassing officials collecting information for parliament on her son Sanjay's project to manufacture cars in 1975 when she was premier.

The move sparked rioting across India as her wing of the Congress Party launched a "fill-the-jails" campaign.

Mrs. Gandhi will be released as soon as the Lok Sabha is prorogued, which is expected in the next two or three days.

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Collection grows

King's palace to house Jeddah city museum

By Farouk Lugman
JEDDAH, Dec. 24 — A committee of Saudi experts is working on what some of its leading members call a "strategy" for the King Abdul Aziz Museum in Jeddah, which will tell the story of the city since earliest times.

Although the project is still in the planning stages, a number of objects have already been collected and are being stored in the central library of King Abdul Aziz University.

Speaking to "Arab News"

Sunday, Dr. Abbas Tashkandi, dean of the university library and a leading member of the committee, said that the items that will form the nucleus of the museum were donated by Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi.

Bequest

The Farisi bequest consists of 64 objects ranging from fire-arms, swords, enormous coffee pots, old stamps and stone inscriptions. The government has donated the old Khozam Palace, which was built by

King Abdul Aziz soon after the creation of the Kingdom in the 1930s.

Situated behind the new water tower on Mina road, the palace will be extensively renovated.

Mecca Governor Prince Fawaz is the chairman of the committee, which includes Dr. Abdul Majid Daghistani, chairman of the supreme coordination committee of the Jeddah municipality and a professor at the university and Sheikh Muhammad Abdullah

Alireza, deputy minister for foreign affairs.

Dr. Tashkandi and Dr. Daghistani, the men most intimately connected with the project, said that the museum will include any items that relate to the history, culture and archeology of the city.

"It will not be a national museum," Dr. Tashkandi said. "That is to be in Riyadh. We shall concentrate on the native identity of this city." Special attention will be paid to the career of King Abdul Aziz, because his unification of Saudi Arabia has been crucial to the city, he said.

Influence

The museum will seek to record the traditions of Jeddah and the influence of geographical location on the customs and occupations of its population. There will be illustrations of fishing industry, trade, architecture, industries and raw materials used in building. Already a number of old photographs have been collected, and more are expected to be donated once the museum is open to the public.

"We have been promised a number of valuable things by owners who are afraid to part with them now because there is no secure place to preserve them," Dr. Daghistani said. Some of the masrabiyas, the lattice balconies, from the fast-disappearing old houses of Jeddah will be preserved and restored, he said.

When a friend of King Abdul Aziz heard about the museum project, he gave the late King's gold wrist watch, which still works.

"But this museum won't be all," Dr. Tashkandi said. "We hope to have an aviation and maritime museum too," he said. The air museum will house the old military and civilian aircraft one can see inside the tar perimeter of the airport.

The place chosen for them is the old terminal at the airport — the oldest airport in Saudi Arabia. The maritime museum will be aboard one of two old hulks which will be restored and moored by the Corniche.

These projects may take up to two years before they are open to the public, Dr. Tashkandi said. "For the civil aviation and maritime museums, we shall work closely with the Department of Civil Aviation and the Saudi Port Authority," he said.

All the members of the committee are volunteers, but once the project is completed there will be full-time professionals to charge, they said. The project has no budget. The palace will be restored by the municipality or some big company that has substantial contracts in the city. The hulks will be restored at the expense of the Port Authority and the Civil Aviation Department will help with setting up the aircraft museum.



ENGRAVED POT: Ceremonial brass coffee pot, two-foot tall and engraved with verses at the King Abdul Aziz University Library.

At eighth session

Arabsat discusses investment policy

RIYADH, Dec. 24 (SPA) — The Board of Directors of the Arab Satellite Communication Organization resumed its meeting here Sunday, chaired by Faisal Ahmed Zeidan, deputy minister of Post, Telegraph and Telephone and the board's president. The board studied a report

on Arabsat's capital investment policy submitted by the director general of the organization, Dr. Ali Hussein Al-Mashtani and reviewed the minutes of its seventh meeting held in Rabat last July.

Saudi PTT minister Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal was

quoted as saying earlier this year that the organization was receiving an annual return of 14 per cent after total disbursements for its programs.

The one-week session at the Riyadh Intercontinental Hotel opened Saturday Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Oman, Jordan, Egypt, Libya and Tunisia are represented on the Arabsat board.

The organization plans to operate two satellites by the early 1980s to improve telecommunications links between Arab countries.

Morocco prince performs Umrah

MECCA, Dec. 24 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah, the brother of King Hassan II of Morocco, performed the Umrah or minor pilgrimage Saturday. The prince arrived in Jeddah last Friday.

Local Briefs

● RIYADH. (SPA) — Two new schools are to be opened here soon to eradicate illiteracy among employees of the Regional Directorate of Education, it was announced Sunday. The period of study for employees and laborers will be experimentally cut from two years to one. Three similar experiments are being carried out by the Ministry of Education, the National Center for Adult Education and Eradication of Illiteracy and the Riyadh Directorate of Education.

● JUBAIL. (SPA) — Chinese Deputy Minister for Communications Chen Chu-hsi Sunday visited the site for the industrial complex at Jubail.

● JIZAN. (SPA) — The periodical conference of regional malaria centers resumed here Sunday under Health Ministry Director General for Preventive Medicine Dr. Hashem Al-Dabbagh.

● DAMMAM. (SPA) — Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Prince Majid has awarded an SR 7 million contract to a local company for preparing a light industries area in Dammam. The site, to the west of heavy industry zone, will be prepared and divided into smaller sectors for light industries.

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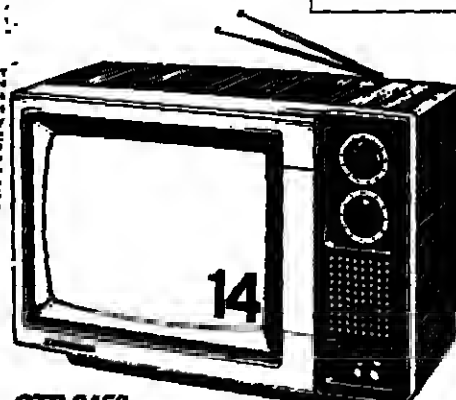
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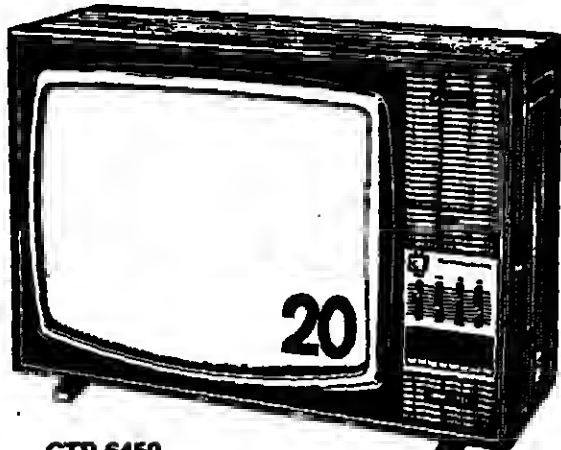
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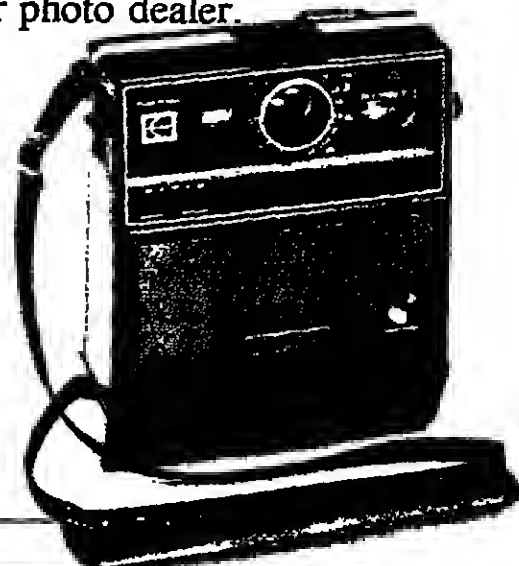


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Israel to keep settling, aide says

TEL AVIV, Dec. 24 (AP) Education Minister Zevulun Hammer says he believes Israel will decide to renew Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank.

In an interview with Israel Television, Hammer said he did not believe Israel would accept a peace treaty with Egypt which prohibited Jews from settling in the West Bank.

The education minister is a member of the National Religious Party which believes the West Bank is part of the land of Israel promised to the Jews.

"There are some things no one will agree to," he said, "and I believe settlements are in this category."

At September's Camp David summit, Israel agreed to freeze settlements for three months. There have been no new settlements since the deadline passed on Dec. 17.

Hammer said settlements must be "protected," either by enlarging the existing ones or building new outposts "for strategic reasons."

He believed the cabinet would approve such action: "We will come to the conclusion in the government that it is necessary to renew Jewish settlement in the Land of Israel."

Cypriot freighter sinks; all hands feared drowned

MESSINA, Italy, Dec. 24 (AP) — A Cypriot freighter split in two and sank Sunday morning after colliding with a 33,000-ton British tanker in the Messina Strait separating Sicily and the Italian peninsula, the harbor command reported.

All seven or eight crew members aboard the Cypriot vessel appeared to have drowned. The sea was reported calm and visibility good at the time of the collision.

A radio message from the tanker Almak said the 1,000-ton Cypriot ship went down seconds after collision.

A search by four ships, including a hydrofoil, failed to turn up any survivors or bodies, the command said. Several life jackets and an uninflated rubber raft were washed ashore, it added.



WATCH ON THE NILE: A Dinka tribesman from Sudan stares out across the Nile.

New foreign post

Qatari aides appointed

DOHA, Dec. 24 (R) — The Ruler of Qatar Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad Al-Thani issued a decree Sunday appointing Sheikh Ahmad bin Seif Al-Thani to the newly created post of minister of state for foreign affairs, it was announced here.

Sheikh Ahmad was Qatar's ambassador to Britain.

Sheikh Khalifa also appointed Sheikh Muhammad ibn Hamad Al-Thani minister of education to replace Sheikh Jassim ibn Hamad Al-Thani who died about two years ago.

He was Qatar's ambassador to Lebanon.

The emir appointed, also for the first time four undersecretaries: Abdul-Aziz Abdulla Turki for the Ministry of Education, Ahmad Abdul Rahman Al-Mana for the Ministry of Industry and Agriculture, Ahmad Ali Marafi for the Ministry of Communications and Transport and Muhammad Abdul Rahman al-Khalifi for the Ministry of Information.

Egyptian official jailed for aiding Libyan attacks

CAIRO, Dec. 24 (UPI) — The State Security Court has sentenced an Economy Ministry official to life imprisonment with hard labor for providing Libyan Radio with anti-Egyptian propaganda, the newspaper "Al-Ahram" said Sunday.

It named the official, who was arrested in September last year, as Ali Abul Yazid Al-Tolsany.

The court found him guilty of establishing "illegal contact

with a foreign country with the aim of damaging Egypt's political position, harming Egypt's security and receiving bribes from a foreign government."

The newspaper said Al-Tolsany, who worked as a research expert at the ministry, used to provide the Libyan Embassy in Cairo with letters later broadcast by Libya "attacking the Egyptian government and opposing state policy."

Jihan Sadat mistrusts Begin

'He does not want peace'

CAIRO, Dec. 24 (UPI) — Mrs. Jihan Sadat, wife of the Egyptian president, says "it is obvious" that Prime Minister Begin of Israel does not want a Middle East peace settlement.

But Mrs. Sadat, in an interview with the weekly magazine "Rose Al-Youssef," was confident peace would eventually triumph and the breach between Egypt and other Arab states would be ended.

Mrs. Sadat was asked: do you think Mr. Begin will continue with us along the path

of peace? "It is obvious that he does not want to continue along this path," she replied, "but our will and the will of the whole world are stronger."

"Like millions of mothers, I am eagerly waiting for the moment of peace, just peace for us, the Palestinians, Syrians and Jordanians," she said.

Asked about the Arab "rejection states," Mrs. Sadat said, "we are Arabs and I am confident we will meet again

some day in a fraternal atmosphere. Differences between brothers are something that will pass."

Accordingly, she said Egypt should not reply to Arab denunciations of its peace policy.

She added she is praying for the recovery of Algerian President Houari Boumedienne, one of the leaders opposed to settlement, and has written his wife a lengthy letter of encouragement.

Asked what she thought of Begin winning half of the Nobel Peace Prize, Mrs. Sadat said: "This is a question that puzzles me."

Mrs. Sadat, who recently graduated from the Arabic Literature Department of Cairo University, said she is working now on a thesis on the influence of the English 19th century poet Percy Bysshe Shelley on Romantic poetry in Arabic.



Jihan Sadat

Poll shows Israelis link peace to Palestinian issue

TEL AVIV, Dec. 24 (R) — Most Israelis believe that Middle East peace cannot be attained without a solution to the Palestinian question, according to a public opinion poll released Sunday.

dependent on outside forces such as the U.S. and U.N.

Only 17.8 per cent thought peace was possible without such solution, the poll showed.

The poll, carried out last week by the Public Opinion Research Institute (PORI) for the independent "Haaretz" daily showed that 69.3 per cent of the representative sample of 1,200 Israelis said that a peace settlement was impossible without a solution being found to the problem of the Palestinians.

Another four per cent said that peace "might be possible" without a solution, as much

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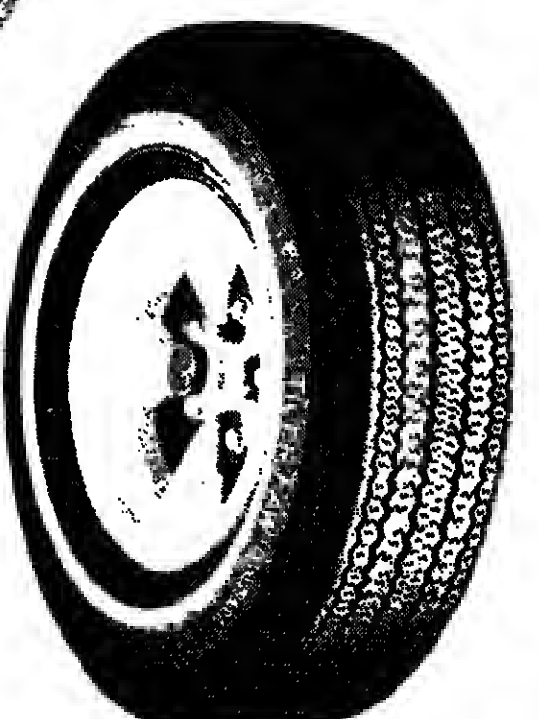
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Briton shot dead in Cambodia raid on West visitors

PEKING, Dec. 24 (Agencies) — A British University lecturer from London Dr. Malcolm Caldwell, was killed Saturday when three Cambodians attacked a guest house in Phnom Penh, a British embassy spokesman in Peking said Sunday.

Dr. Caldwell, who taught at the London School of Oriental and Asian Studies, was described by the spokesman as "a friend of Cambodia."

The spokesman quoted Cambodian officials as saying three Cambodians had attacked the guest house in central Phnom Penh where Caldwell had been staying together with two American journalists, Elizabeth Becker of the "Washington Post" and Richard Dugman of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The two Americans were unhurt. The spokesman quoted Cambodian officials who accompanied Dr. Caldwell's body to Peking as saying one of the attackers committed suicide; one was caught and the third escaped.

The Dugman account, copyrighted by the "St. Louis Post Dispatch," did not give any details of Caldwell's death. It said that a gunman armed with a pistol and submachine "fired three shots at me from close range. Moments earlier, a gunman, possibly the same man, pointed a pistol at Becker but did not shoot."

Becker was the first to notice, one of the introducers, the St. Louis correspondent wrote. "Hearing shots, she stepped from her first-floor room and found herself face to face with a young man in a black T-shirt armed with a pistol, a submachine gun and wearing a bandolier. He pointed a pistol at her. She shouted, 'don't shoot', and ran back into her room, slamming the door and hiding in the bathroom, where she crouched at first in the bathtub."

He said that while standing outside his room in the passageway, "I saw a young man carrying a pistol and submachine gun and wearing an ammunition belt."

"I hurried to my door, turned and saw him point the pistol at me. He fired a distance of about 20 feet. I stepped inside and slammed the door... he fired two shots through the door. I turned out the light and lay on the floor. There were other shots a moment or two later..."

Captured Basque proves windfall for investigators

MADRID, Spain, Dec. 24 (UPI) — A suspected FLA Basque separatist leader has confessed and identified the guerrillas who carried out 10 killings, a \$1 million payroll robbery and the bombing of a nuclear plant, police said.

Police said Saturday that Jose Antonio Torre Alonaga, one of 14 alleged ETA members arrested last week, also disclosed plans for future guerrilla action by ETA (Basque Homeland and Liberty).

Torre Alonaga's arrest and his statement have saved a "large number of potential victims and damages," an official police note said.

Police did not say how they obtained the confession. EFA has accused Spanish authorities of using torture and sodium pentathol to extract information from ETA suspects.

Romania asserts need to cut arms

BUCHAREST, Dec. 24 (AP) — Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu has made another plea for a halt of the arms race and said that excessive armament spendings were a first step to the loss of independence.

Ceausescu last month rejected Moscow's wishes for an increase of Romania's armament contributions at a Warsaw Pact summit. This time he made his views known in a speech to students of African and developing countries who study in Romania.

"We understand it well, that neither the African nor the



Nicolae Ceausescu

Latin American nor the Asian countries can give up armament just as Romania and other states cannot do that. But if we expand on armings we shall undermine in fact, deliberately or not deliberately, the very base of independent development."

U.S. condemns Rhodesia raid on Zambia

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (Agencies) — The United States has accused Rhodesia of undermining prospects for peace in southern Africa by conducting raids deep into Zambia and Mozambique.

The State Department said Saturday in a strongly worded statement that it was "deeply concerned and disturbed" by Rhodesian bombing attacks against targets in both countries.

Rhodesian military headquarters has said that its forces had struck into Zambia to attack black nationalist guerrilla bases and freed 35 people from a prison camp 90 miles inside Zambia.

"The Department wishes to note its deep concern over the recent bombing attacks carried out by Rhodesian forces against targets in Mozambique and Zambia," the State Department said.

As rescued blacks rejoice

U.S. condemns Rhodesia raid on Zambia

"We are particularly disturbed that the Rhodesians have again chosen to attack locations well beyond the borders of both countries and very near to major population centers," it declared.

Sicilian frogmen search air wreck for survivors

PALERMO, Sicily, Dec. 24 (R) — Frogmen dived Sunday for the wreckage of an Alitalia airliner which plunged into the sea Saturday, killing 108 of its 129 passengers in Italy's worst air disaster for six years.

The bodies of 80 passengers are still believed trapped in the fuselage of the twin-engine DC-9 jet, resting on the seabed at a depth only 50 meters north of this ancient port city.

At Inkomo barracks in Rhodesia, the more than 30 black Rhodesians who said they had been snatched from a nationalist guerrilla prison camp deep inside Zambia by Rhodesian forces tucked into

a huge meal and said they were looking forward to joining their relatives for Christmas.

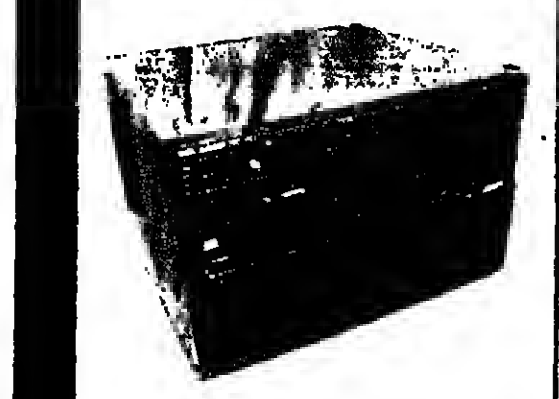
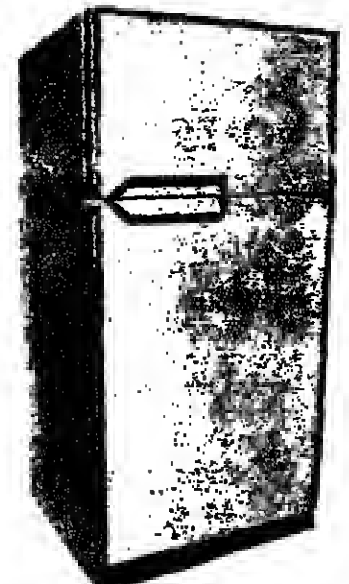
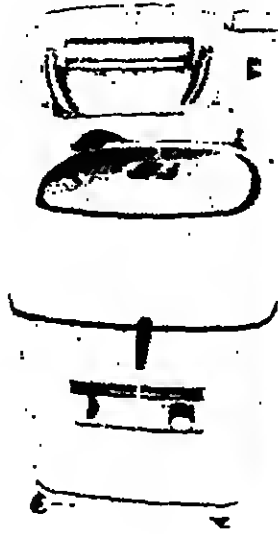
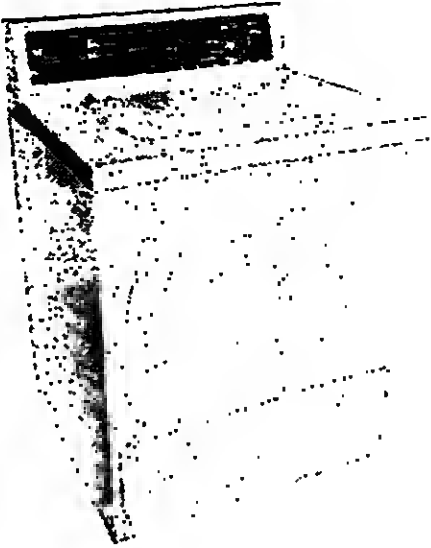
As they latched heaped plates of steaming food and dipped into crates of beverages, several said that they had been harshly treated by their guerrilla captors.

Some said they had been beaten, others that they had been dragged naked and bound across stones and rubble. Some bore heavy scars. "I'm very, very happy to be here — more than the word happy can say," said 22-year-old Njabulo Nkomo, grandson of Rhodesian Senator Chief Sigola, who said he had been forced to join the guerrillas last February.

Army officers said the men had been rescued from Mozambique prison camp, 140 kilometers inside Zambia.

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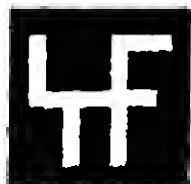
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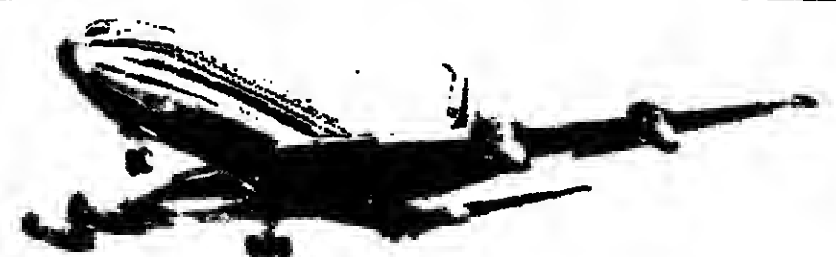
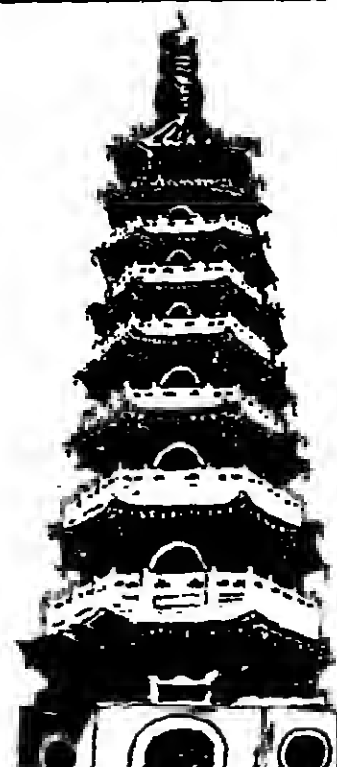
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Teng Hsiao-ping named 'Time' man of the year

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP) — Chinese Deputy Prime Minister Teng Hsiao-ping has been named man of the year for 1978 by "Time," the American magazine.

Its selection for the title came hard on the heels of President Carter's dramatic announcement last week that the United States would normalize relations with the People's Republic of China Jan. 1.

Teng, 74, is scheduled to visit this country on Jan. 29. It will mark the first such visit to the United States by a high-level Chinese official since the Communists took power on the mainland in 1949.

The magazine described Teng, also vice-chairman of China's Communist Party and army chief of staff, as "tough, abrasive, resilient, (he) has made more political comebacks than Richard Nixon."

"As a party member for more than 50 years and a veteran of Mao's original Long March, he also possesses a moral authority that no other Chinese leader can command, an authority based partly on his refusal to bow to the political winds of the past two decades," "Time" said in its Jan. 1 issue.

Time also cited Teng as a man with "tremendous enterprise" who has pushed to end

China's isolation and bring the world's oldest continuous civilization into step with the 21st century.

The selection of Teng as man of the year represents the first time an Asian has been picked since 1938, when Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek were chosen.

Elevated

In Moscow, Tass reports Chen Yun, a purged former vice-premier and supporter of Teng was elevated to a top position in the Chinese hierarchy Friday.

In a dispatch from Peking on the results of a plenum of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee, the Soviet news agency said Chen was made a Politburo member, vice-chairman of the Communist Party Central Committee and member of the Politburo's powerful Standing Committee.

Once its only friend

Albania storms over China alliance

VIENNA, Dec. 24 (R) — Albania leader Enver Hoxha has been quoted as saying it would have been suicide for his country to follow the economic plans proposed by China, once its only ally.

In the latest edition of his collected works, Hoxha said the Chinese tried to make as much profit as possible out of Albania during their 17-year partnership.

"To follow the line propos-

ed by these modern revisionists would have been suicide," he said, according to the Albanian Communist Party daily "Zeri i Popullit."

Hoxha was quoted as saying that Peking attempted to buy up Albania's raw materials cheaply and sell them back as finished products.

Peking withdrew its military and economic advisers from Albania earlier this year after ideological feuding between the two once-close allies.

Chicago killings suspect to get psychiatric tests

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (R) — A former convict suspected of murdering as many as 32 boys has been moved from a police cell to a prison hospital for psychiatric and heart tests.

John Wayne Gacy, a 36-year-old building contractor previously jailed for 18 months, was transferred under heavy guard Saturday as police dug up three more bodies from beneath his house in suburban Chicago.

The police have so far found five bodies in a two-day search and a spokesman added, "we expect there will be others."

Police investigators said Gacy had told them that in the past two years he strangled 32 boys.

Gacy told police 16 of the victims were buried underneath his single-story brick ranch house and garage and the others dumped in lakes, rivers and woods.

His attorney requested that Gacy be given medical tests as he had a history of heart trouble.

Gacy, a former shoe sales-



Teng Hsiao-ping

The World

Argentina reopens roads to Chile

BUENOS Aires, Dec. 24 (R) — Argentina has re-opened roads between its western province of Mendoza and Chile to ease travel for holiday traffic, military authorities said. The military closed routes to Chile Friday, military sources said. Argentina's three armed forces commanders plan to spend Christmas in southern Argentina near the three small islands in the Beagle Channel, which Chile and Argentina dispute. Both countries have agreed to receive an envoy from the Vatican to try to defuse tension over the dispute which has raised fears of an outbreak of war.

Hill guerrillas strike at Hanoi

BANGKOK, Dec. 24 (R) — Cambodia Sunday said a Vietnamese hill tribe guerrilla movement had killed 17 government soldiers in the central highlands region of Vietnam last month. Radio Phnom Penh, monitored here, said three clashes took place in November between Vietnamese troops and guerrillas of FULRO — a French acronym standing for the United Front for the Liberation of Oppressed People in the Central Highlands of Vietnam. The radio mentioned FULRO for the first time a week ago, apparently a propaganda response to Hanoi's announcement of the creation of an anti-Phnom Penh guerrilla movement.

Burmese rebels lay down their arms

RANGOON, Dec. 24 (AP) — A total of 131 Burmese rebels, followers of exiled former Prime Minister U Nu, now in India, surrendered to government troops after a split in their rebel party and the death of their Chairman Bo Lay Ya, the government has announced. The rebels, led by Tha Zin, surrendered to government troops Dec. 7 and 8 and also handed over 90 pieces of automatic weapons and ammunition.

Only woman senator is GOP heirress

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 24 (AP) — Nancy Landon Kassebaum, daughter of Republican patriarch Alf Landon, has become the only female Senator. Mrs. Kassebaum, a 46-year-old radio station executive, was sworn in Saturday as the junior senator from Kansas as her 91-year-old father, a former Kansas governor and 1936 presidential candidate, looked on. Mrs. Kassebaum was given only slight chance of success by many observers when she became one of nine candidates seeking the Republican nomination for the seat.

Filipinos said keeping U.S. bases

MANILA, Dec. 24 (AP) — A Manila newspaper reported Sunday that Filipino and American negotiators have reached agreement on a formula for maintaining U.S. military bases in the Philippines. Foreign Minister Carlos Romulo immediately issued a statement denying the story. "Bulletin Today," published by a former military aide to President Ferdinand Marcos but generally considered independent, wrote that officials of four Philippine government agencies are setting up shop at Clark Air Base on Jan. 1 in accordance with the agreement.

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"WHAT IF WE ASK EACH ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT TO ROLL A BARREL OF OIL IN WITH HIM?"



As Europe sees the U.S.

By Ronald Reagan
MUNICH

Though the sun has no warmth on a bright December Saturday, the throngs of shoppers amble through the booths of the market in the central squares and through the stylish shops here as if it were a summer day.

As in Paris and West Berlin, everyone you see on the street seems to be prosperous. The crowds are well-dressed. Furs abound. Most of the cars are spanking new. And, the windows are chockful of expensive goods. It is a sobering experience for the American visitor, whose instinct in Europe these days is to keep his dollars in his pocket, for they buy so little.

Keeping Europe's very tangible prosperity intact is on the mind of every government, political and business leader I have met with on this trip. Most also seem to spend a good deal of time thinking—and worrying—about the United States. Because of America's vast size economically, every sneeze in Washington has the potential of giving Western Europe a case of pneumonia. In self-defense, the West Germans and the French are leading their neighbors into a new monetary union.

Europeans are used to seeing things in a global perspective—certainly more than U.S. politicians seem to. Possibly because of their consciousness of the size of the U.S. economy, plus the fact that they live in the shadow

of Soviet military might, the Western Europeans tend more and more to stick together and also to reach out far and wide for new markets and political arrangements that will improve their security.

In the United States you might think the governor of a large inland state would be concerned mostly with local and regional matters. I have no doubt that Franz-Josef Strauss, minister president of Bavaria (equivalent to a state governor) is concerned about such things, but in my meeting with him the only topic purely Bavarian was the delicious breakfast. The discussion moved from one continent to another, back and forth, as complex international relations were explored. Strauss had just returned from a NATO meeting in Lisbon, but his calendar had also included meetings with Leonid Brezhnev and China's Teng Hsiao-ping. And scarcely a political "hot spot" on the globe has failed to get his intense and studious attention.

This warm and vigorous leader of the Christian Social Union (partners in the opposition coalition with the Christian Democrats) is very much his own man, but he does share in common with other German leaders I met—Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, opposition leader Helmut Kohl and Economics Minister Otto Graf Lambsdorff, for example—the faculty of seeing his country's policies and economy in a much larger context.

As for SALT II, those I met with in Britain and on the continent seem agreed only that

it is important. Some consider its passage vital; others think it will cripple the United States and Western Europe from getting some kind of practical control of the Soviet Union's vastly superior tactical forces and the "gray area" weapons (such as the SS-20 rocket which is capable of destroying every city from Peking to London).

Europeans are quick to point out that SALT II is a bilateral agreement between the Russians and the Americans and they are anxious to have increased consultation between themselves and Washington, lest their own security interests be neglected. It is odd that U.S. officials, who echo constantly by media commentators, seem to think that effective arms control rests with restrictions on intercontinental nuclear weapons. Actually, an increased ability to checkmate Russian strength in Europe may offer Americans a comparable deterrent.

That the Soviets are getting stronger in nearly every respect every day is considered a reality in Europe. Several of those I visited pointed to the frightening irony of Russia "warning" Britain not to sell Harrier fighter planes to Peking and telling the United States not to intervene in Iran, while at the same time it is supplying Cuba with MiG-23 jets which could menace U.S. cities with nuclear weapons. Yet, official Washington whistles in the dark, pretending that the Soviets have not violated the agreement brought on by the 1962 Cuban missile crisis.

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Andreotti and the EMS price

By David Willey

ROME—Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti has pushed a divided Italy into the European Monetary System, but it has most likely cost him his job. Letters have gone out to all Italy's European community partners informing them of his decision, duly endorsed by parliament to join the EMS from its start on Jan. 1.

But the fragile parliamentary alliance of Christian Democrats, Communists and Socialists which has enabled Andreotti to survive for two years at the helm of what on paper is a very weak minority government has been cracked open by left-wing abstentions and defections in the EMS vote.

The Communists, who form about a third of the total membership of the chamber of deputies, voted against immediate membership of the EMS. They fear the cost of bringing down inflation in Italy from its present 14 per cent to the much lower levels prevailing in wealthier community countries is going to fall heavily on ordinary workers in the form of increased taxes and higher prices for certain basic commodities.

The renewal of labor contracts affecting millions of Italian workers is being negotiated this winter and this is bound to have an inflationary effect on the economy. Italy's master economic plan for the next three years—named after the Treasury Minister Filippo Pandolfi—is

aimed at bringing inflation down to 10 per cent in 1979. But this is not going to be enough to meet the new, stricter obligations of EMS membership. The Pandolfi Plan is to be debated in parliament after the Christmas recess and this is likely to provide the real stumbling block for Andreotti.

His main hope lies paradoxically with the Communists who have been performing extraordinary linguistic contortions to prove both their abiding concern to protect workers' interests and their democratic responsibility in not wanting to provoke a new government crisis, which they know as well as Andreotti will solve none of Italy's basic economic problems.

Giorgio Napolitano, the Communist Party's chief economic spokesman, who dresses like a well-heeled banker, told reporters, after his party voted against the EMS as it stands at present, "We are not breaking with anybody."

The Communists stand "a lot more than they might gain from an early dissolution of parliament and an early election given that they are experiencing some difficulties in persuading all 1.5 million party members to renew their membership cards for 1979."

The Communist Party Congress, which is held every four years, is also due next spring and party leader Enrico Berlinguer would clearly prefer to concentrate his energies on preparations for a new economic order in Italy rather

than fight an election particularly in the same year as the first direct European elections.

The party most likely to bring Andreotti's government crashing down in January is the small Socialist Party, which has been making extremely nasty remarks about the Christian Democrat premier accusing him of "disloyalty" during the EMS negotiations. The Socialists have less to lose by provoking a new government crisis than either of the country's two leading political parties, the Christian Democrats and the Communists.

But the Socialists may have failed to reckon that their wrecking tactics might not work because of the declared determination of the octogenarian Socialist President Alessandro Pertini not to dissolve parliament before the end of its normal five-year term without adequate reason.

The most likely outcome therefore of the tectonic political games now going on in the corridors of power in Rome is the replacement of Andreotti by another member of his own party early next year. The names of Flaminio Piccoli, who succeeded the late Aldo Moro as president of Italy's ruling party and Benigno Zaccagnini, Christian Democratic Party secretary, are among those being canvassed as possible successors for the astute Andreotti who, it must be remembered, has a disconcerting habit of surviving in impossible situations. —(OFNS)

Angolan refugees in Zaire

By Carol Corbion

KIMPESE, Zaire—Hundreds of Angolans in pitiful condition arrive every month in this region of Bas-Zaire near the Angolan border in a struggle for survival which often ends in miserable refugee camps or death.

They boost the estimated number of 550,000 refugees already living in Zaire.

Father De Munck, a Belgian priest in Kimpeke, who works with the refugees, said they brave the Angolan bush at night to avoid attacks by armed forces of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA).

He said they often spend months in hiding before arriving in Zaire, some are fired upon and die as they flee, others arrive wounded with little or no belongings and are near starvation.

Since the civil war, which followed Angolan independence in 1975, the population of Bas-Zaire province has been swelled by refugees from the Cabinda enclave and Angola.

Some refugees have made attempts to return to their homeland. Repatriation agreements, particularly between Portugal and Angola, have also been concluded.

Major Kazu D'Almeida, the Angolan charge d'affaires in Zaire, was recently quoted by the official Zairian News Agency, Azapa, as saying that 2,000 Angolan refugees wanted to return home and that plans for repatriation had been arranged.

De Munck feels it is highly unlikely that the Angolan refugees will return home voluntarily and in great numbers unless their safety is guaranteed by a formal agreement

with an international organization such as the United Nations.

He said that soldiers of the National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA) though disorganized continued to fight in northern Angola, but that in daylight at least, the MPLA forces seemed to be in control.

There was a severe food shortage in northern Angola he added and those peasants who returned to the bush, to cultivate land were often attacked by the MPLA and had their homes burned.

The MPLA soldiers were reported to be systematically combing the countryside while planes bombed the area to force the farmers to move to the main roads, De Munck said.

According to United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) estimates, there are more than 100,000 Angolan refugees living in the Cataract area.

Despite tremendous efforts made by the few volunteers covering the area. The monthly food ration of 13 kilos per person reaches the refugees only about every two to three months. Roads and communications are bad and impracticable, De Munck said.

There are some hopeful signs of resettlement, particularly among the 40,000 refugees who fled Cabinda—more than half the population of the oil rich enclave. Some 25,000 have already been established in three UNHCR refugee villages in the Bas-Zaire area.

The Cabindans are determined to build a new life. A visit to Cimbanga, one of the

UNHCR villages with 10,000 inhabitants is an impressive sight.

A little over a year ago, the Cabindans were hiding in the forests or living in desperate camps along the Zairian border—hungry, homeless and helpless refugees.

Now each family has built a small wooden house, cultivates land and shares agricultural tools. The first harvest of beans, corn, groundnuts and manioc is expected in January or February.

In the intervening months the refugees are given 11 kilos of food each per month, mainly consisting of cereal, beans, oil, milk, fish, sugar and salt. The UNHCR and the refugees hope to be self-supporting within two years.

The women cook in an case, there is one blanket per family and little clothing, but 85 per cent of the children attend school and there is a dispensary with a good supply of medicine.

According to sources in close contact with the Cabindans, they consider themselves ethnically and culturally different from the Angolans and most of them plan to remain in Zaire unless the Front for the Liberation of the Cabinda Enclave (FLEC) manages to gain their independence.

It is probable that many of the men are fighting for the FLEC in Cabinda, as more than half of the refugee families are headed by women, the sources said.

The Zairian government and the UNHCR are encouraging the 5,000 Cabindan refugees still living along the border to move into UNHCR villages in the Bas-Zaire area. (R)

LEBANESE PEACE

Anyone who has followed the developments in Lebanon must be baffled by the amazing ability of the average Lebanese politician to talk from both sides of his mouth. The talking continues, the violence continues and the man in the street pays the painful price.

The central theme that emerges from the ongoing violence despite the "official" end of the civil war over two years ago, is a willingness by politicians, and their backers within and without the borders to sacrifice an increasing number of innocent lives to hang on to civil war "gains" or to recoup war "losses." There have been an infinite number of meetings and conferences that have called for restoration of life to a dying country, but it seems that the country, or rather its politicians, have stifled its will to live.

The last of these conferences was the Beirut meeting of Arab foreign ministers that revived decisions and promises of earlier salvation meetings in Riyadh and Cairo. The conference came out with a security plan to separate the countless "warring factions." It demanded, and received, assurances from all sides that they will give every possible cooperation to the government of President Sarkis to help carry out the plan.

But the promises and assurances were forgotten as soon as the last foreign minister was out of the country, and the adversaries settled back to the established bloody and vicious norm.

The follow-up committee formed to supervise the implementation of the security plan has also had its share of "cooperation" with its central figure in hospital with shrapnel wounds received during yet another reconciliation attempt.

Lebanese leaders have repeated that peace in Lebanon is part and parcel of a comprehensive Middle East peace—an argument that carries considerable weight. But peace in Lebanon—with or without a general Middle East settlement—is overwhelmingly a Lebanese affair. As long as Lebanon, and Lebanese politicians continue to look no further than their immediate and relative gains, tranquility and stability in the country will remain a scarce commodity.

But in fairness, it must also be said that non-Lebanese factions have had a catalytic effect in giving the conflict the proportions it acquired. Lebanon was seen by different parties, and for different reasons, as an opportunity to settle old scores, to build new alliances, or as a stepping stone to controlling events in the area as a whole. The diversity of interests and contradictions in a country that has more than its fair share of them, has added fuel to the fire, and the sooner a settlement is left to its Beirut guarantors, the better.

Cuban 'surplus'

By Karen Deyoung

HAVANA—Pedro Fuentes, a former political prisoner, sat in the Havana airport terminal recently waiting for the flight that would take him out of Cuba for the first time in 17 years.

Every few minutes, a group of his friends standing on the sidewalk outside banged on the terminal window. Each time, Fuentes walked over and, separated from them by a wall of glass, joined them in a silent conversation using the broad gestures of the sign language they had once used to communicate across prison yards.

"I don't like to see them like that," he said of his bon voyage committee outside. "It's like they're still in jail."

Fuentes, 39, was traveling that night as the former prisoners' emissary to Venezuela, where the government has offered to admit at least 1,500 of approximately 12,000 former political prisoners. President Fidel Castro recently said are now eligible to leave the country.

Most of the ex-prisoners and their families, including himself, Fuentes said, would rather go to the United States. But the United States, he said, "does not seem to want them."

U.S. consular officials here say that is not true. Nearly all the ex-prisoners, most of whom have relatives or other sponsors in the United States, are eligible for U.S. immigration.

But it will take time. The Justice Department recently announced a special refugee program to speed the immigration of up to 3,500 current prisoners. Castro has also authorized to leave the country. But the ex-prisoners—those who had already served their time for "counter revolutionary activities" and now live and work in varying degrees of freedom

here—are to be treated just like any other potential immigrant.

That means a three-to-five-week wait for a routine security name check, and more paperwork once processing of an application is begun. Considering the hundreds of eligible Cuban applicants who have shown up daily at the U.S. Interests Section here since Castro's program was announced last September, it could take months, or maybe even years, to process all of them.

Many of the ex-prisoners fear that the exit door, temporarily opened for others in the past 20 years, only to be slammed shut again, will close before their turns come up.

In a recent news conference, Castro said the United States has a moral obligation to help both the prisoners and ex-prisoners. They became "counter-revolutionaries," with U.S. support, he said.

Present at the news conference was a group of 140 visiting Cuban exiles, primarily from the United States, with whom Castro negotiated the release program. They, too, feel the United States is obligated to immediately take every Cuban Castro is willing to let go—particularly those who have spent time in his jails, both recently and in the past, for trying to overthrow his government.

Opposite this unlikely coalition is the United States, apparently taken by surprise when Castro originally announced the release program. Unwilling to snap to attention when Castro gave the word, the U.S. Justice Department balked at immediate acceptance of as many as 50,000 Cubans, including prisoners, ex-prisoners and their families, without thorough security screening. —(WP)

saudi press review

"Al-Bilad" said foreign press reports on the current events in Iran often overplay the potential repercussions on the other states of the Gulf.

"These reports," "Al-Bilad" said, "insinuate that the Iranian situation would have adverse effects on the Arab states of the Gulf." The paper said "this is a false assumption for various reasons."

"The states of the Gulf are aware of what is happening in the region and what should be done about it. They have consolidated their relations, and strengthened their cooperation, especially in the mutual security field which is considered one of the basic prerequisites for Gulf solidarity."

"The situation in Iran is essentially internal and cannot have any effects on outsiders since it is not tied up with any foreign ideology but merely with internal reforms. This is a purely Iranian matter."

"Since the Arab states of the Gulf have a great deal in common, especially their religion, they are unlikely to be vulnerable to foreign ideological influences."

"The present and future stability of the area should confound the prophets of doom since adherence to the faith constitutes a formidable bulwark against any foreign ideological inroads."

"While we should be proud of the national carrier, Saudia, and its domestic and international services, there are many shortcomings that must be put right," "Al-Medina" said.

Citing many examples of delayed departures and arrivals, and outright cancellation of flights, the paper said Saudia has refused to permit the formation of private charter services in the country although the promoters of this scheme had offered to charter out their aircraft through Saudia.

"Since Saudia has too much

work and too few aircraft to cater to too many passengers," the paper said, "there is no good reason why it should continue to refuse to allow free enterprise to play its part in such a vital public service."

"Al-Riyadh" extolled the French President's visit to Guinea and the reconciliation that followed between the two countries after nearly 20 years of hostility because of Guinean refusal to go along with Gen. De Gaulle's plans for French speaking Africa.

The paper said: "Twenty years of mutual hostility is a long time and is enough to freeze such emotions and one visit by a head of state is unlikely to thaw them instantly. But at least it was a good step in the right direction."

Discussing Taiwan and the United States "Al-Nadwa" said: "As a result of Chinese-American reconciliation, the issue of purging American interests above every other in-

terest, including that of Israel, appears to be paramount in political discussions at present."

The paper agreed that despite the power of the Jewish lobby in the U.S., "it is still

possible to note a change in American attitude towards the Middle East. This approach will take into consideration the supreme American interests in the region. These interests will be found to be closer to the

Arab viewpoint than to the Israeli one. The Arabs are hopeful that the United States will be guided by moral responsibility and a realization of its national interests to see where justice lies."



Softly please. The director is asleep.

—OKAZ

BOOKSHELF

The Gun and the Olive Branch

By Robert Fraga
The Gun and the Olive Branch
By David Hirst
Faber and Faber
1977 London
£6.50

Writers who wished to deal sympathetically with Arab views have faced difficulties in the West first in finding publishers and then finding an audience. The situation continued largely unabated until 1973, when the Syrian and Egyptian armies gave an honorable account of themselves against Israel in the Ramadan War and the Arab oil embargo persuaded readers, particularly in the U.S., that Arab opinion might be worth listening to after all.

1973 at least paved the way for a less hysterically hostile hearing of the Arab case. One of the latest books to fill the void of information which still exists is David Hirst's *The Gun and the Olive Branch*.

The response to this excellent book has been less than encouraging; it is reliably reported that, in the U.S., major newspapers and magazines have not mustered the courage to review it. 1973 may have been a watershed in literature about the Arab world, and in particular about the Palestine problem, but there is no gainsaying the potency of the Israeli lobby — notably in America — one of whose aims has been to thwart rational discussion of the Palestine problem. Without reviews to whet potential customers' appetites for international scandal, bookstores

will not stock copies of a book and libraries will not buy it. This continues to be the fate of almost all attempts to explore the Palestinian dilemma from any point of view more sympathetic to the displaced Palestinians than, say, Christopher Sykes' *Crossroads to Israel*; it is only morally palmed tomes like James A. Michener's *The Source* which risk rising to the Best Sellers' list.

What Hirst gives in his political survey of Zionism and twentieth century Palestine is as clear, succinct, and convincing a statement of Palestinian grievances as one could hope to find in English.

Hirst writes with great authority. He has been *"The Guardian"* correspondent in the Middle East for more than a decade, a position in which he has earned a reputation for conscientious reporting, supported by solid research and intelligent assessment. It is these qualities which he brings to bear in *The Gun*. The book is copiously footnoted, an aid to the serious reader which is no way detracts from the pleasure of Hirst's lucid prose. One of the virtues of the book is its bonding of sheer readability and documentation. It combines wit with the sort of literate, dry scathing passion one associates with the best of

British journalism.

The author has done his homework: Each incident recounted in the book is more than adequately researched. Hirst knows and commands a vast array of sources, many of them primary. His references include the most reputable journals and newspapers in Israel, the Arab states, and the U.K. This text of 340 pages is perhaps more complete to its analysis of violence — "individual and spontaneous, or large-scale and state-sponsored; a selective assassination or an indiscriminate massacre of innocents" — than any other book to be found at the same level of accessibility. It is, to stint praise, compulsive reading.

The title of the book is adapted from Yasser Arafat's speech to the U.N. General Assembly which concluded with the utterance:

"Today I have come bearing an olive branch and a freedom fighter's gun. Do not let the olive branch fall from my hand."

Hirst's presentation is "straightforward and chronological", providing an Ariadne's thread winding through the labyrinth of Palestinian history from which a self-supportive block of time has been excised. Beginning with a brief survey of Zionist origins at the end of the last century, Hirst rapidly turns his attention to

the British Mandate which he deals with in 60 pages — refreshingly unburdened with the sentimentality that cloys other, less professional, treatments of this jingoistic era. His next two chapters are concerned with the more spectacular and methodical violence of 1946-49, in which Jewish para-military groups like the Haganah and terrorist gangs like the Irgun pitted their lethal skills first against the British and then against the Palestinians. The hallmark of Hirst's account here, as elsewhere, is his ability to unearth details, statistics, and quotations which one has not seen before, even in incidents (such as the assassination of Count Bernadotte) which are well-known and well-documented. His handling of less well-advertised (but) play such as the Aiyah of the Iraqi Jews rests on material not readily available to a Western audience, including publications such as *Black Panther*, an Is-

raeli magazine where a full account of Israeli machinations to stampede Iraqi Jews out of their homes appeared a few years ago.

The colonialist nature of the Israeli state, the paranoia and the territorial greed which are the most salient facets of Zionist mentality form the subject of Hirst's chapters six and seven. The book concludes with an account of the Palestinian Diaspora's counter-violence, of the June War of 1967, when words like the reverse acronym Fatah and Fedayeen entered the vocabulary of Anglo-Saxon newspaper readers for the first time.

The tenor of *The Gun and the Olive Branch* is overwhelmingly negative. This is no reflection on the author's capacity to think in constructive terms but rather on the nature of the story he has to tell. "The gun, not the olive branch," Hirst observes, "rules in the Middle East." The past 60 years of Palestinian history up-beats are depressingly sparse; the coloratura of individual Jewish concern for the havoc wrought on the local popula-

tion is drowned out by a basso ostinato of purblind and self-serving Zionist purpose. To treat such copy in style and language which shines clear of indigment does not do it justice. If the subject is negative per se, then so is the casting of the Palestinians' role in the tragedy of their own dispossession: Hirst portrays them as a simple, and largely defenseless, people whose own resort to violence, first in the riots and uncoordinated insurrections of the 1920's and '30's, and then, after 1959, in the formal armed resistance of Fatah and its sister organizations of the PLO, came as a response to the violence of Zionism. The Irgun-style attacks, directed either against targets in Israel or against El Al aircraft, are treated with a sort of contempt by Hirst. Yet even with these raids Hirst maintains an analytical balance. In concluding his history of Black September's operation at Munich in 1972 in which 11 Israeli athletes participating in the Olympic Games were killed, Hirst writes:

"Yet there was... opinion which, in spite, or perhaps

because, of the barbarism of Munich, argued that desperate men must have desperate reasons for doing what they do. That was the kind of response for which the Black September hoped."

Do the author's sympathies make it impossible for him to write an objective history of the Palestine problem? Everything depends, in answering such a question, on that modish word, "objective". What is to be understood as objectivity in the context of the Arab-Israeli dispute, or the Palestine question from which that dispute arises? If it is to mean six ounces of PR for the Israeli point of view to half a dozen for the Palestinian, then Hirst is emphatically not objective: His individual, atomized portraits of the likes of Menachem Begin, ex-fuehrer of the Irgun and one of the two most recent recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize, are unflattering. His dissection of Zionist policy is merciless. The space allotted to inter-Arab tensions and the shortcomings of the PLO is much more limited. But this brevity maintains the perspective which is

one of the most admirable features of the book, and the litmus test of objectivity.

In his own preface, Hirst addresses himself to the outrage which his compendium of violence, particularly Zionist violence, would certainly provoke:

"Doubtless the first impulse of many readers, friends of Israel, will be to cry that if ever there were prejudice and propaganda it is here. But upon mature reflection they will come to another conclusion: that the literature hitherto available to them, particularly if they are Americans, has been overwhelmingly Zionist in sympathy or inspiration. It is therefore only right and proper that the balance be redressed, the other side of the story told."

Hirst rebels, with an elan which is ever controlled, against the acceptance of an injustice mantled in red herrings and hypocrisy. His book deserves a far wider audience than it is likely to get.

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Wartime eavesdroppers swap secrets

EDITOR'S NOTE: Several books during the past few years have disclosed some details about the "Ultra" system — Allied interception of German signals in World War II. Sir Herbert Marchant, former British ambassador to Cuba and Tunisia, was one of those involved in this highly secret operation and he recently had the chance to talk to some of his German opposite numbers.

By Herbert Marchant

LONDON—Ultra, as many people will know by now, was the cover-name given to Allied intelligence derived from the deciphered signals of German army, air and naval commands during World War II. But in the interest and excitement aroused by the "revelations" about the success of this operation, few will have stopped to ask how successful the cryptographers on the other side had been.

In fact, German cryptographers were regularly reading British naval codes from the outbreak of the war till well in 1943, and if the Battle of the Atlantic was won later that year, largely because the British experts at Bletchley Park, their secret headquarters near London, were able to break the U-boat code, it had very nearly been lost earlier on because the Germans were reading the codes used by the convoys.

This, at any rate, was the consensus of a recent international conference on W/T intelligence in World War II held in Germany. It was a curious confrontation of World War II adversaries, when for four days Allied cryptographers, intelligence officers and communications experts — British, American, Canadians and a Pole — lived it all over again with their German opposite numbers.

For the first two days the practitioners discussed the technical aspects before an audience of over 500 — an indication of the enormous interest the German nation still has in military matters.

They were mostly former members of the Wehrmacht and included top-ranking officers of all three services, whose signals, incidentally, had been regularly deciphered at Bletchley Park 35 years ago. One old Luftwaffe general turned out to be as uncompromising and peppy as we remembered his war-time messages to have been.

The object of the conference — sponsored by university bodies, publishing firms and technical industries — was to enable historians to pick the brains of those who had taken part in the intelligence war before memories — already shaky — faded altogether. It was clearly also hoped to put the story of Ultra into perspective.

The sensational claims made in some recent best-sellers had caused people in the United Kingdom and America to ask why, if the Allies consistently knew the German order of battle on land and at sea as well as their plans, they did not win the war sooner. In his own country, as one German historian noted, these unqualified statements — often only half truths — could well be used by some of his contemporaries to build up a sort of "stab in the back" myth, such as was spread abroad by Nazi propaganda about World War I.

But cryptographic successes — as already indicated — were not all on one side. It is now well known that, during the North African campaign Montgomery was kept well supplied with timely information, based on Ultra, of Rommel's order of battle and intentions.

It is less well known that earlier in that campaign Rommel was receiving a similar service about British plans from his own W/T intelligence center, who were busy reading the code used by the American military attaché in Cairo. (Service attachés, incidentally, seem to have been particularly vulnerable. The Americans were able to read the messages to Tokyo from the Japanese attaché in Berlin, giving details of German plans

and dispositions in the West, obligingly fed to him by the German High Command).

There was little doubt, however in the minds of both the Allied and German speakers that the overall output of Bletchley's comprehensive, harmoniously integrated effort had been markedly superior to that of the German cryptographic establishments. In Germany each of the armed services, the Foreign Office and the Secret Service had its own agency with the consequent bureaucratic muddles and jealousies inherent in such fragmentation; added to which the Allies used a variety of codes, while the Germans used almost exclusively the one Enigma machine, on which British cryptographers could concentrate their efforts.

After two days in Bonn the conference moved to Stuttgart, where before a smaller gathering a brave, if inconclusive, attempt was made by a panel of 30 to assess the impact of Ultra on the course of the war. The panel — most of whom were historians — had little difficulty in showing how Ultra had often been vital in decision-making at the tactical level, when on land or at sea commanders had prior knowledge from decrypts of the enemy's dispositions and intentions.

Admittedly there were nearly always other sources of information on hand — photo reconnaissance, reports from the Resistance and from spies, wireless traffic analysis — but Ultra, when available was the 100 per cent reliable basis, with which all other forms of intelligence could be related.

If Ultra did not win the war, the conference decided, it undoubtedly shortened it. (There was much interesting speculation on the probable course of the war had the Battle of the Atlantic been lost; which might well have been the case if Bletchley had not broken the U-boat code when it did, namely just at the moment when the losses to Britain's merchant fleet had become all but intolerable). But all agreed that in point of fact intelligence by itself cannot win wars, not even battles.

You still need adequate arms, men, equipment and generalship to handle the situation. Early warning that a hundred heavy tanks are heading your way serves little purpose if you only have Home Guard troops to deal with them.

The conference finished with a word of warning to historians who now hoped to write the definitive history of the war and include in it their own re-assessment of the generalship of commanders on both sides. The bulk of Ultra documents, it was pointed out, are still under wraps, and you cannot complete a jigsaw puzzle when more than half of the pieces are still missing.

No material concerning the Battle of Britain, the North African Campaign, the landings in Sicily and at Anzio has so far been released to the general public — only to the fortunate historians still at work on the official history of intelligence in World War II. Their first volume, due for publication in the spring, is eagerly awaited, not only by those who only recently learned about Ultra, but also by those who, because of the passage of time and of the imposed secrecy, have forgotten much of what they knew.

One final question raised by an American historian remained unanswered: "If Benjamin Franklin was right when he said that 'three may keep a secret, if two are dead,' how come the secret of Ultra, known to perhaps 2,000 people was kept for over 30 years?" How indeed did so many men and women of all ages and from all stations of life, resist the temptation to boast to husband, wife, parent, child or lover about what they did in the Great War?

The odds against breaking the Ultra ciphers were said to be over a million to one; the chances of keeping Ultra a secret must have been about the same. (OFNS)

U.S immigration program for Lebanese

Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON — Lebanese who have been hard-hit by their country's civil strife may soon apply at the American embassies in Cyprus and Greece for admission to the United States under a new emergency immigration program.

The "parole program", approved recently by the U.S. Justice Department, will waive normal immigration requirements and admit 1,000 Lebanese to the United States in a move to aid family reunification and provide humanitarian relief for particularly hard-hit cases.

According to U.S. government documents, the Immigration and Naturalization Service is dispatching an officer to Nicosia, Cyprus, to begin screening applicants for the program.

The immigration officer at the U.S. embassy in Athens will screen prospective immigrants at that location.

Applicants must have left Lebanon on or after March 19, 1978, the date on which the U.S. embassy in Beirut declared Lebanon to be in a "state of disaster".

Of the 1,000 immigrants to be accepted under the program, 800 must be family reunification cases and 200 humanitarian cases.

Applicants for family reunification must be either:

— close relatives of American citizens or of permanent residents in the United States; or

— accompanying "fireside members" of a family with immigrant visas.

U.S. authorities define "close relatives" as parents, grandparents, spouses, sons, daughters, brothers and sisters.

A "fireside member" is any person who has been "a member of a family group living in the same household on a permanent basis for at least one year and who will continue that relationship in the United States."

The 200 humanitarian cases must be referred to the U.S. embassies by a voluntary or relief agency, which will provide sponsorship of the applicant and arrange for trans-

portation costs to the United States.

All applicants for the "parole program" must meet normal immigration requirements.

Prospective immigrants 14 years of age and older will be

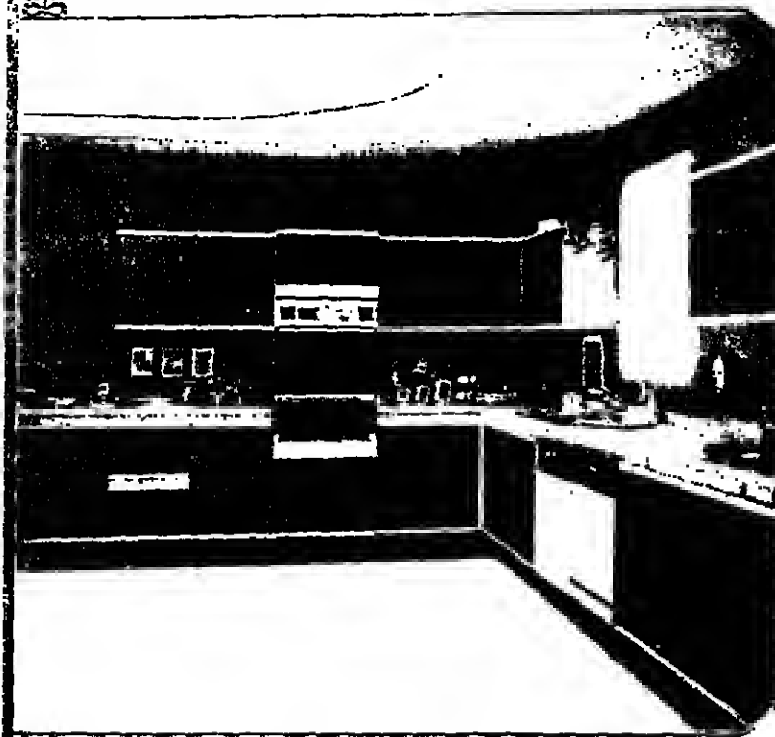
fingerprinted, and all applicants will receive medical examinations for admission to the United States.

The applicants will fill out form FS-510 (Application for

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produce a high volume of wheeled cargo and a small but important segment of uncontainerisable cargo combined with a heavily containerised trade from the Far East, makes large versatile RO/ROs the ideal form of ship for the services. Mr Lovald stresses that the new ships should not be confused with the smaller, trailer-type of RO/RO widely used on Short-Sea Ferry Routes.

"These new ships are quite distinct from the trailer types", he says. "They make use of the RO/RO loading and discharging technique so as to give the quickest possible Port-Turn-Around time, but they incorporate block storage methods which enable the maximum possible volume of cargo to be accommodated within the ship."

The Supercarriers will form the backbone of the BARBER BLUESEA SERVICES, but they will be supported by a high-quality fleet of multi-purpose cargo liners. Eleven of these ships will be retained in the BARBER BLUESEA SERVICES following the introduction of the six RO/ROs. There will be five Wilhelmssen Ships of this type, able to take up to 750 containers, heavy lifts up to 130 tons, liquid cargo, bulk cargo and unit loads, three ocean vessels with similar capability, and three Brostrom (tombis) Vessels, designed to take a combination of Cellular Container and Conventional Cargoes with a maximum container capacity of 1,000 tons. The delivery of the last RO/RO will mark the completion of a rapid and fundamental upgrading of the total fleet, the first stage of which took place with the introduction of the Wilhelmssen and Ocean Multi-Purpose Vessels, last year. A reflection of the improved quality of the fleet is provided by the reduction in the number of units operated from 31 in 1977 to 25 at present and 17 by the second half of next year.

The configuration of the up graded fleet emphasises that BARBER BLUESEA is willing and able to handle any kind of liner cargo. It is able to take any kind of container, with a 20,000-ton fleet monitored by its own tracking system, but the essence of its transportation concept is that it can adapt its system to suit

whatever kind of cargo in whatever quantity the shipper wishes. The variety of its Trading Routes makes such a degree of adaptability vital. Five main services are provided: United States (Gulf and Atlantic) / Canada East Coast to Middle East; US (Gulf and Atlantic) / Canada East Coast to South East Asia; Far East to Panama / S.A. / Canada East Coast; Far East to Canada / US West Coast / Venezuela;

and Canada / US West Coast to Venezuela. The new ships will give BARBER BLUESEA a fleet well able to match those of any of its competitors on these routes.

But Mr Lovald points out that the quality of the assets is only half of the package which makes up a successful modern liner shipping operation. The other half is the quality and extent of the back up organisation, and here too BARBER BLUESEA thinks it is highly competitive. BARBER BLUESEA has a particularly extensive coverage of agents and officers in its key trading areas of North America, the Middle East and the Far East, and has concentrated where possible on establishing a direct presence in these agencies. In many cases this takes the form of ownership of the agency companies, and in other cases BARBER BLUESEA has been able to place its own staff in agency offices. The philosophy has been as far as possible to obtain direct control over the entire marketing of its services, so as to be in the best position to offer a fully Integrated Transportation System.

"Shipping has had to become very much more Customer-Oriented than it used to be, and we have placed great emphasis on this", says Mr Lovald. "We have invested a lot of money in top quality staff in our key locations, and this has given us a strength of expertise comparable to the quality of our assets". Through the agency network, BARBER BLUESEA is able to maintain a high degree of personal contact with its customers, and this is backed up by computerised Storage Planning, Telecommunication Systems and Container Tracking Systems.

BARBER BLUESEA was set up in 1971 by Wilhelmsen Ocean Transport and Trading Ltd., and Brostrom Shipping Co. Ltd., as a joint operating company for ships owned by the principals. It is managed by BARBER LINES A/S in Oslo.

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Terrapins can't keep up with Joneses

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 24 (AP)—Olympian Johnny "Lam" Jones, Freshman A. J. "Jam" Jones and Senior Johnny "Ham" Jones dazzled Maryland with their play Saturday as Texas stampeded Maryland, 42-0, in the Sun Bowl postseason game.

The 13th-ranked Maryland team made the mistake of not electing to play with winds gusting to 45 mph behind their backs and were behind 21-0 after 14th ranked Texas' first three possessions. "Lam", a junior from Lampasas, Texas, and a member of America's victorious sprint relay team in Montreal in 1976, scored touchdowns on a seven-yard reverse and a 29-yard scoring pass from Mark McBeth.

"Jam", a speedster from Youngstown Ohio, tallied on runs of one and 14 yards and gained 100 yards rushing against the vaunted Terp defense. Maryland 0 0 0 0-0 Texas 21 7 14 0-42

Magnificent Rono dominates athletics year of broken records

By Bert Rosenblatt

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Henry Rono, the stoic, sullen-faced Kenyan who runs with the ease and precision of a metronome, strode to a remarkable four world long distance records in 1978 in one of the incredible performances of track and field history.

The fast-striding, slow-talking Rono, a junior at Washington State University, broke the old records in devastating fashion—all within 80 days.

He began his globe-trotting assault on April 8 at Berkeley, California, smashing the 5,000-meter mark by 4.5 seconds with a time of 13 minutes 8.4 seconds during a collegiate triangular meet.

Then Rono clipped 3.6 seconds from the world 3,000-meter steeplechase record with a clocking of 8:05.4 at the Northwest regional battle in Washington on May 13.

The 25-year-old Kenyan cut eight seconds off the world record in the 10,000-meter race, running 27:22.5 in Vienna on June 11, and completed his marvelous journey with a 7:32.1 world mark in the 3,000 meters on June 27 in Oslo, slicing 3.1 seconds off

the previous mark.

Often

Rono ran often and well, compiling a streak of 26 consecutive victories at distances from one mile to 10,000 meters. In addition to his four world records, he captured several other big races—the steeplechase in the collegiate championship meet at Eugene, Oregon, in the African Games at Algiers and in the Commonwealth Games at Edmonton, the 5,000 at the Commonwealth Games, and the 10,000 at the African Games.

In an interview with a European track writer, Rono was asked if he thought he was the greatest distance runner in history.

"I know nothing of that," he said. "Of recent years, I think so. But how can you compare (me) with those of 20 or 50 years ago?"

Obituary

While Rono was obliterating the long-distance marks, several other track and field stars also were setting world records.

Vladimir Yashchenko, the 19-year-old wunderkind from the Soviet Union, twice cleared 7 feet, 8 1/2 inches in the high jump.

East Germany's Marita Koch became the first runner to break records in the 400-meter race three times in the same year. Her fastest clocking was 48.94. She also set a 200 record of 22.08.

Italy's Sara Simeoni raised the women's high jump record to 6-7, reaching that height twice, and kept smiling.

Denmark's Loa Olafsson set women's records in the 5,000 (15:08.8) and 10,000 (31:45.4)—running both races against men.

Lithuanian Vilma Bardanauskienė twice increased the women's long jump record, her best leap being 23-3 1/4.

Tatyana Selenzova of the Soviet Union twice lowered the women's 400-meter hurdles mark, her fastest clocking 54.89.

East Germany's Wolfgang Schmidt hurled the discus a



88 DAYS: Between April and June this year, Kenya's Henry Rono broke four world long-distance track records to establish a claim as the greatest-ever distance runner. Here he is, winning the 3,000 meters in London in May.

record 233.5.

Karl-Heinz Riehm of West Germany tossed the hammer 263.6.

East Germany's Udo Beyer threw the shot 72.8.

Norway's Grete Waitz established a women's marathon record of 2:32.30 and ran 8:32.1 for 3,000 meters, which probably will be a world mark since an 8:27.1 by Russia's Ludmila Bragina four years ago never has been ratified.

Renaldo Nehemiah, a sophomore at the University of Maryland, broke the world junior 110-meter hurdles record five times, finally lowering the mark to 13.23.

Houston McTear, from Cerritos, California, junior college, smashed five indoor marks in three sprints—60 meters (6.54), 50 yards (5.33, then 5.25), and 60 yards (6.11, then 6.04).

Dick Buerkle, a 31-year-old Villanova standout, set an indoor mile record of 3:54.9.

And Mike Tully, of UCLA lifted the indoor pole vault mark to 18-5 1/4 outdoors, which would have been a world record, but because of disagreement among the officials' in measuring the bar, he was credited with only 18-8, one quarter of an inch below the mark.

Lake Placid games boss dies dedicating ski jump

LAKE PLACID, New York, Dec. 24 (AP)—Ronald Mackenzie, the president of the Lake Placid Olympic Organizing Committee, died of a heart attack Saturday during

dedication ceremonies for the ski jump to be used in the 1980 Winter Olympics. He was 75.

Mackenzie, who was instrumental in landing the winter games for this small village in upstate New York, collapsed as he was about to view the first jump from the judges observation post.

Attempts were immediately made to revive Mackenzie but they were unsuccessful, according to a reporter at the scene.

About 150 local residents were on hand for the christening of the recently constructed 70-meter jump when Mackenzie was struck down.

Mackenzie had just climbed the hill to the stand when he collapsed on the outside balcony of the stand.

Mackenzie, an outdoor winter sports enthusiast and avid skier even in recent years, was a certified ski jumping judge. He served as president of the 1972 World University games held here and is a member of the United States Ski Hall of Fame.

He was formerly the postmaster of Lake Placid.

Blazers hold Washington for NBA win

PORTLAND, Oregon, Dec. 24 (AP)—Mychal Thompson scored 13 points in the fourth quarter Saturday night as the Portland Trail Blazers held off the Washington Bullets for a 114-109 National Basketball Association victory.

In Milwaukee, the Kansas City Kings blew a 21-point fourth-quarter lead, then rallied in overtime behind Sam Lacey. Otis Birdsong and Scott Wedman for a 122-117 victory over Milwaukee Saturday.

Scores
Kansas City 24 34 30 19 15-122
Milwaukee 27 14 28 38 10-117
Washington 28 28 24 29-109
Portland 32 26 27 29-114

Standings in British Football Leagues

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Standings in the British football leagues after Saturday's games (tabulate matches played, won, drawn, lost, goals for, goals against, points):

English League Division 1

Liverpool	20	14	3	3	44	9	31
Everton	20	11	8	1	30	15	30
West Bromwich	18	11	5	2	36	14	27
Arsenal	20	10	7	3	35	17	27
Nottingham Forest	19	8	10	1	20	11	26
Manchester United	20	9	6	5	29	31	24
Coventry	20	9	6	5	28	29	24
Leeds	21	8	7	6	38	27	23
Tottenham	19	8	6	6	22	33	22
Aston Villa	20	7	8	5	25	18	22
Bristol City	21	8	6	7	23	22	22
Southampton	20	6	7	7	25	38	19
Derby	21	7	4	10	25	39	18
Norwich	18	4	9	5	29	29	17
Manchester City	19	5	7	7	26	24	17
Ipswich	20	7	2	11	23	28	16
Bolton	21	6	4	11	28	40	16
Middlesbrough	20	6	3	11	29	30	15
Queens Park Rangers	19	4	6	9	15	24	14
Wolverhampton	19	4	1	14	14	38	9
Birmingham	20	2	4	14	18	34	8
Chelsea	20	2	5	13	21	43	9

Division 2

Crystal Palace	20	10	9	2	33	16	29
Stoke	21	10	7	4	28	19	27

West Ham	20	10	5	5	40	21	25
Brighton	21	11	3	7	6	24	25
Newcastle	21	10	5	6	24	20	25
Sunderland	21	9	6	6	31	26	24
North County	21	8	8	5	27	32	24
Burnley	20	8	6	6	33	31	22
Wrexham	19	7	7	5	24	19	21
Fulham	20	8	5	7	25	24	21
Charlton	21	7	6	8	33	34	20
Orient	21	8	4	9	34	25	20
Cambridge	21	5	10	6	22	24	20
Bristol Rovers	20	8	4	8	29	36	20
Preston	21	6	6	9	25	31	18
Oldham	19	6	6	7	25	31	18
Lincoln	19	7	3	9	35	26	17
Leicester	20	4	9	7	17	21	17
Sheffield United	19	5	4	10	24	30	14
Cardiff	25	5	4	11	25	42	14
Blackburn	19	3	7	9	21	34	13
Milwall	21	4	4	13	19	36	12

Scottish League Premier Division

Dundee United	18	8	7	3	25	16	23
Partick Thistle	18	8	5	5	19	16	21
Aberdeen	18	6	8	4	29	17	20
Rangers	18	6	8	4	22	28	20
Celtic	18	7	5	6	26	21	19
St. Mirren	18	7	4	7	20	17	18
Morton	18	6	6	6	22	25	18
Hibernian	18	4	8	6	19	23	16
Hearts	18	5	5	8	22	34	15
Motherwell	18	3	4	11	18	35	10

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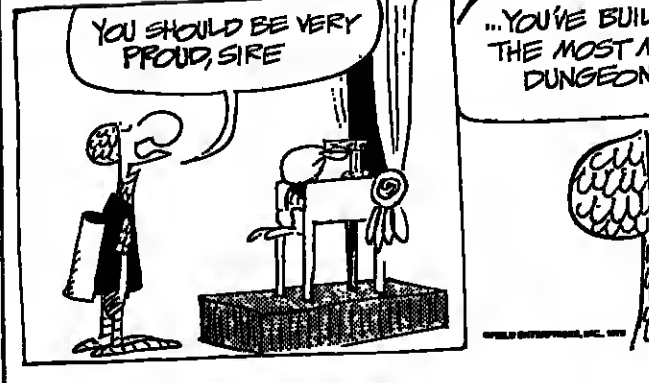
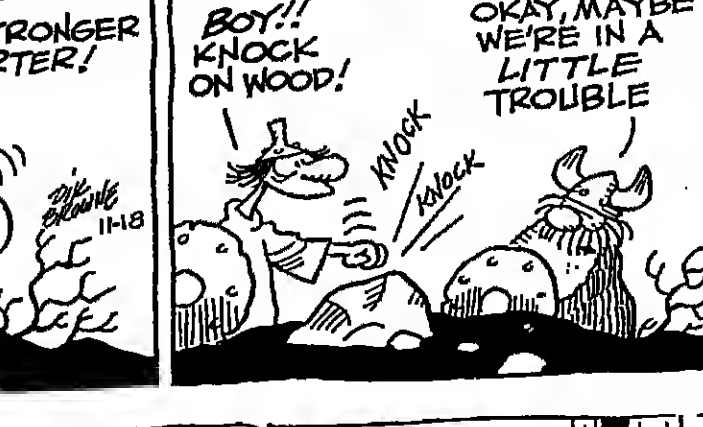
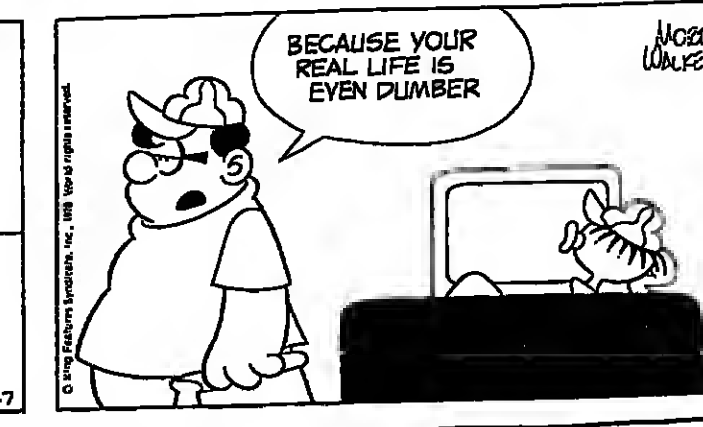
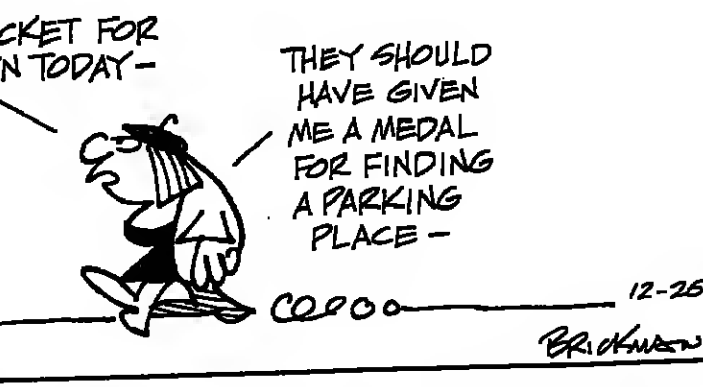
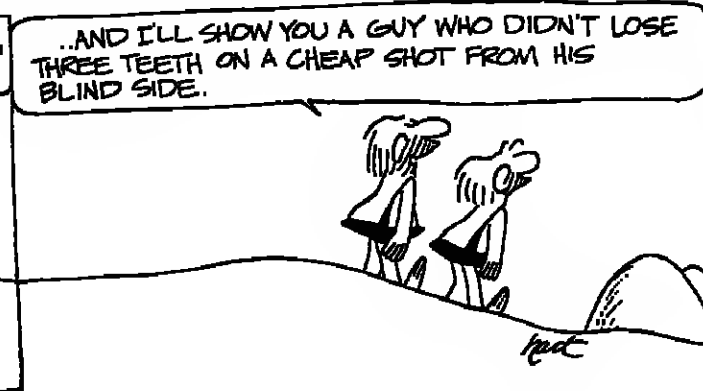
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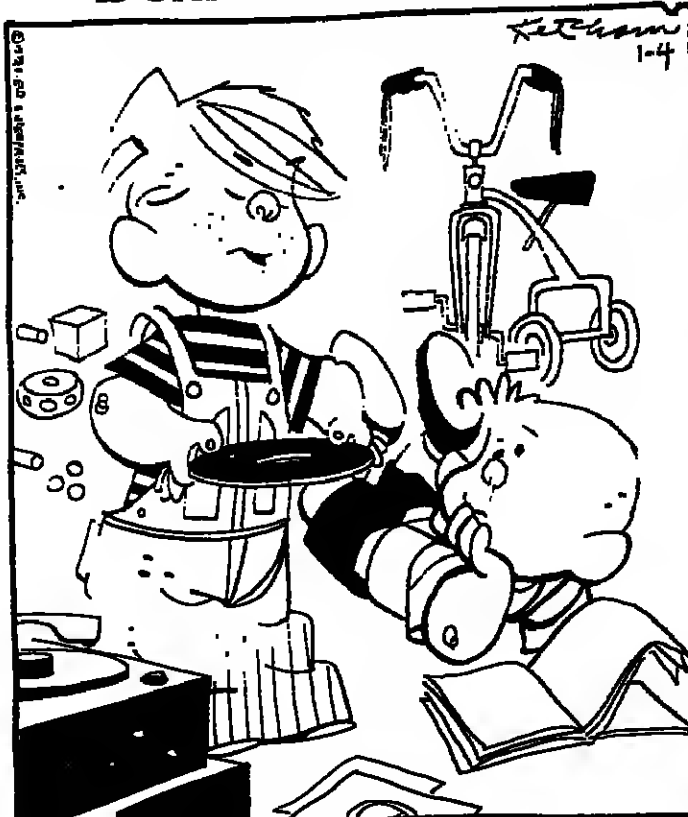
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Dennis the Menace



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1. An ever-

5. Dragon's

10. Joie de vivre

11. Overflow

13. Hindu deity

14. Y.A. of foot-

15. Duck

16. Johnny Reb's

17. Resilient

19. Function

20. Cathedral

21. Willow genus

22. Bone up

24. Worked the

25. Duck family

26. Sub's

27. Dolt

28. Card play

32. Maltic

34. Equivocate

35. Involve

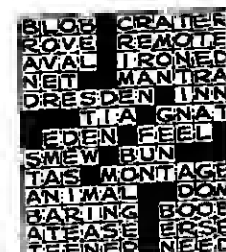
36. London

37. Take a

38. Celt's

39. Sylvan deity

40. Youngster



Saturday's Answer

22. Trig.

23. Trigon

24. Trigon

25. Trigon

26. Trigon

27. Trigon

28. Trigon

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36. Trigon

37. Trigon

38. Trigon

39. Trigon

40. Trigon

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X E

L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is

used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters,

apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all

hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

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VGSJV PGB IGHEHIPBE SN

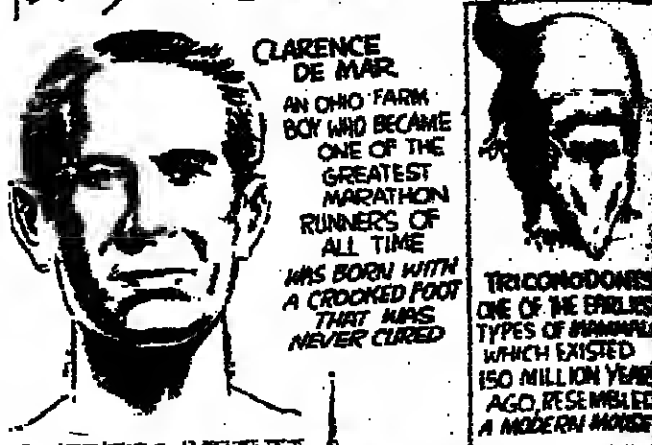
PGB ALXBE USEB PGHD PGB

ALNP LPVBTN - TEXHPBE

Saturday's Cryptquote: REVENGE IS OFTEN LIKE BITING

A DOG BECAUSE THE DOG BIT YOU. - AUSTIN O'MALLEY

Believe It or Not!



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AN OHIO FARM
BOY WHO BECAME
ONE OF THE
GREATEST
MARATHON
RUNNERS OF
ALL TIME
WAS BORN WITH
A CROOKED FOOT
THAT HE
NEVER CURED

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Contract Bridge

B. Jay Becker

Of Mice and Men

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

Q 6 3

K 6 4 3

K 10 4

Q 9 7

WEST

A 5 2

Q 10 5 2

K 9 3

Q 10 6 3

EAST

K 8 7

K J

J 8 5 2

Q 4 2

SOUTH

A 10 4

A 8 7

A 4 7

A K J 8

The bidding:

East South West North

Pass 1 4 Pass 1 7

Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead: two of hearts.

The best lead schemes

of mice and men do not

always go astray. In fact,

they're often crowned with

success. And here is a case

where South demonstrated

how easy it is to play a

dummy well.

West led a heart and South

took East's king with the ace.

Declarer then played a club

to dummy's queen and returned

a low spade, covering East's

seven with the jack. It did not

matter whether West took the

ace or ducked the jack to

preserve his only entry card.

In either case, South would

make nine tricks - sooner or

later.

What did declarer do that

was so marvelous? Actually,

nothing extraordinary.

However, he did avoid two

pitfalls, and to that extent he

played the hand well.

First, South did not make

the mistake of ducking the

king of hearts at trick one.

Had he done that, he would

have lost three heart tricks

and the A-K of spades. East

would have led the jack of

hearts at trick two, permitting

West to overtake with the

queen and play a low heart

back if declarer ducked the

second heart lead.

Second, South did not make

the mistake of leading a spade

from his hand at trick two.

Had he done that, he would

also have failed East would

win the spade with the king,

cash the jack of hearts, and

play a spade to West's ace to

put the contract down one.

True, South would have

made only eight tricks - even

the way he played the hand -

had East gone up with the king

of spades at trick three when

declarer led a low spade from

dummy. However, the answer

to this is a very simple

question: How many players

do you know who, holding the

king of spades at trick three

when declarer led a low spade

from dummy, would have

trump with the king of spades

without seeing declarer's

hand? Even if you know only

one such player, you should

stop playing against him!

ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

MONDAY

	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:36	7:03	12:21	5:31	5:48	7:18
Medina	5:41	7:07	12:29	5:21	5:43	7:13
Nejd	5:07	6:37	11:55	5:24	5:10	6:40

DHAHRAN TV

3:30 Children's Show	Gigglesort: When Splendor Dies
4:48 Wild World of Animals	
5:10 The Family	The Red Ape
5:58 Six Million 5 Man	Oo The First Day Of Holiday
6:46 Alice	A Bionic Holiday Carole
7:20 NFL Football	A Semi-Merry Holiday
9:40 Police Woman	Happy Holidays Waldo

WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:
The temperatures will begin to drop over the north-western region as a result of a cold front. Active northerly winds will raise sand storms and thick patches of clouds will offer chances of showers with occasional thunderstorms, extending gradually to some parts of the western and central regions. Foggy conditions will prevail over the eastern coast in the early hours of the morning.
Sea conditions will be moderate to choppy on the western coast and calm to light over the eastern.

Sunday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)					
Mecca	31	22	Hail	23	06
Jeddah	32	21	Tabuk	26	08
Riyadh	24	06	Turair	22	04
Dhahran	23	07	Rafha	22	04
Medina	25	11	Yanbu	29	16
Taif	25	09	Abha	22	04

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission	Evening Transmission
1:00 Opening	10:00 Opening
1:01 The Holy Quran	10:01 The Holy Quran
1:05 Gems of Guidance	10:05 Message to the Faithful
1:10 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle	10:10 Light Music
1:15 S.A. Historical Notes	10:15 NEWS
1:30 Off the Record	10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
2:00 Your Choice	10:30 Music Worldwide
2:30 On Islam	11:00 Champions of Solidarity
2:40 Islam the Divine Truth	11:10 Press Review
2:55 Music	11:15 The Sixties
3:00 NEWS	11:45 The World of Guitar
3:10 Press Review	12:00 Islamic Contributions
3:15 Music	12:15 The Songwriters
3:20 My Music	12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
3:50 Close Down	12:59 Close Down

VOA

P.M.	News Summary
8:00 News Roundup	12:30 VOA Magazine: America; Science; Cultural; Letter
8:30 Reports: Actualities; Opinion; Analysis	11:00 Special English; News
9:30 Dateline	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
9:00 News Summary	
9:00 Special English: News; Feature. The Making of a Nation	
9:30 Music USA: (Standards)	
10:00 News Roundup	
10:45 Reports: Actualities	
10:45 Opinion; Analysis	

BBC

Morning Transmission	4.30 The Pleasure's Yours
8.00 World News	5.15 Report on Religion
8.09 *Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	6.00 Radio Newsweek
8.30 *Sarah Ward	6.15 *Outlook
8.45 World Today	7.00 World News
9.00 Newsweek	7.09 Commentary
9.30 *Opera Star	7.15 *Sherlock Holmes
10.00 World News	7.45 World Today
10.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	8.00 World News
10.30 *Sarah Ward	8.09 *Books and Writers
10.45 *Something to Show You	8.30 *Take One
11.00 World News	8.45 Sports Round-up
11.09 Reflections	9.00 World News
11.15 Piano Style	9.09 News about Britain
11.30 Brain of Britain 1978	9.15 Radio Newsweek
12.00 World News	9.30 Farming World
12.09 British Press Review	10.00 Outlook News Summary
12.15 World Today	10.39 Stock Market Report
12.30 Financial News	10.43 Look Ahead
12.40 Look Ahead	10.45 Ulster in Focus
12.45 The Tony Mott Request Show	11.00 World News
	11.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
	11.30 The Pleasure's Yours
	Midnight Transmission
	12.15 Talkabout
	12.45 Nature
	1.00 World News
	1.09 World Today
	1.25 Financial News
	1.35 Book Choice
	1.40 Reflections
	1.45 Sports Round-up
	2.00 World News
	2.09 Commentary
	2.15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR RELEASE MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth Sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Avoid excessive spending, as there is an element of surprise in connection with mutual assets. Limit expenditures to necessary items.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You may go overboard in a romantic situation. Singles will be prone to love at first sight, and married couples may act like newlyweds.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Don't attempt to do too much today, as you may overtake yourself or cause your nerves to frazzle. Limit yourself to what has to be done.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The possibility of romance may cause a sudden change in plans. Make sure you don't let others down, while you're being swept off your feet.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Unexpected visitors may drop by today, perhaps causing a disruption of planned activities, or an invited guest may not show up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) A good day to spread holiday cheer with local visits. An unexpected meeting

though may cause an alteration of scheduled activities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) There are more ways than one to lose money today. Avoid extravagant friends, safeguard personal possessions, and by-pass risky ventures.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You may be suddenly romantically attracted to someone in an unlikely situation. Depending on your ingenuity, this may or may not be a good thing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A secret rendezvous may not turn out as expected, or it could be that your privacy is interrupted by an unexpected visitor.

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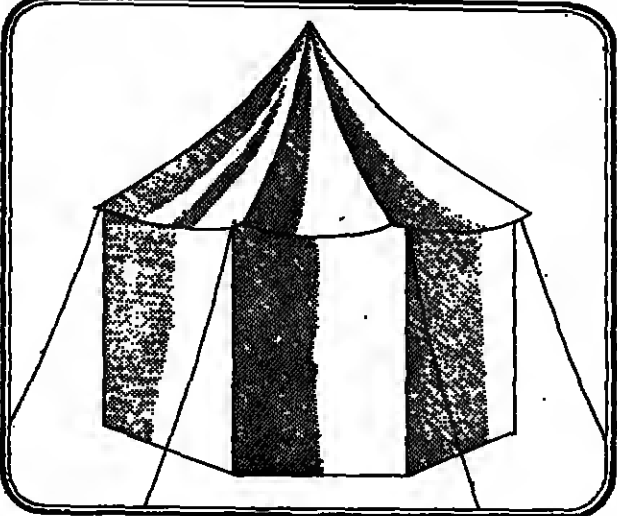
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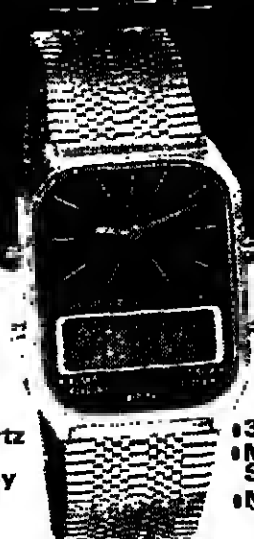
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Mother, new-born taken in

Storm cuts off Vietnam refugee ship

HONG KONG, Dec. 24 (AP)—Rains and strong winds Sunday prevented Hong Kong authorities from supplying food and water to more than 2,700 Vietnamese crammed aboard a Taiwanese-owned freighter.

The 2,290-ton "Huey Fong" has been anchored one and a half kilometers outside of

Hong Kong waters since Saturday morning after Hong Kong barred the ship from entering this colony.

The decision to give supplies to the refugees followed Captain Shu Wen-Shin's appeal that the ship was short of water and food and at least 20 refugees needed emergency medical care.

A mother and her newly born baby were airlifted Sunday by helicopter from the freighter.

This brought to five the number of refugees who have been evacuated for medical treatment on shore.

A government spokesman said the baby, a girl, was born on Sunday and it was necessary to move her to a hospital because of the lack of medical facilities on the ship. No other details were available.

The mother and her infant were airlifted by a Royal Air Force helicopter piloted by Squadron Leader J. D. Shawcross.

They were taken to the British Military Hospital.

Later three other refugees—two elderly women and one man—have been evacuated from the Panamanian-registered vessel.

A government spokesman said one elderly woman suffered from cardiac asthma and another had a broken rib. The man, according to the spokesman, had a heart attack and was taken ashore to hospital by a helicopter. Their conditions were not known.

The spokesman said one person—a girl—died on high sea while the ship was on way to Hong Kong. He declined to elaborate.

He also refused to comment on earlier reports that another person was found dead on the ship.

Four doctors and 16 auxiliary medical service staff remain on board the vessel to take care of the sick.



TRAINING: Black recruits for Rhodesia's armed forces training. In recent weeks the question of the role of irregular forces under the command of black leaders in the government has been causing increasing concern.

Former Muzorewa aide flees Rhodesia fearing assassination

SALISBURY, Dec. 24 (AP)—An aide-turned-opponent of black leader Abel Muzorewa has fled Rhodesia with his American wife fearing for his life following the murder of an associate, it was reported Sunday.

Max Chigwida flew to an undisclosed country last Friday after reports of alleged slayings and brutalities by armed irregular troops loyal to Muzorewa and Ndabaningi Sithole, two of the three moderate black leaders sharing power in the transition government.

Chigwida, ousted from Muzorewa's United African National Council hierarchy in August for criticizing Muzorewa's leadership, said in an interview before he left that he feared he would be assassinated.

Chigwida cited the murder a week ago in an ambush outside Salisbury of Arthur Kanoderaka, expelled from Muzorewa's movement at the same time for criticizing his leadership.

"Everyone is in danger these days," he said. "Many people are killed in the same way Arthur was. It is just more noticeable when someone prominent is murdered."

Kanoderaka's bullet-riddled car was found on a main highway a few miles south of Salisbury last Monday. Kanoderaka, critically wounded, was taken to hospital where he died later. He was previously treasurer-general of the UANC.

Police are still investigating the murder, but have not said if they have suspects.

Police sources, however, whether ballistic tests of the weapons used in the slaying of Kanoderaka indicate the killers might have been guerrillas or irregulars loyal to Muzorewa or Sithole.

Police sources, however, noted that the irregulars who include surrendered guerrillas and the insurgents themselves carry similar Soviet and Chinese-made arms.

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Council of Ministers meeting in Riyadh

RIYADH, Dec. 24—The Council of Ministers, meeting under Second Deputy Prime Minister and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah bin Abdulaziz, decided to consolidate the electricity companies of Riyadh and Qatif under one management. The cabinet also agreed to the transfer to the Saudi Basic Industries Corp. (SABIC) the ownership of an iron and steel plant together with a foreign firm to meet domestic demand.

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Death toll doubles

Turkish town put under curfew

ISTANBUL, Dec. 24 (Agencies)—Authorities imposed a 24-hour curfew in Kahraman Maras, in southeastern Turkey, after two days of rioting by political and religious extremists left more than 55 people dead and 150 wounded.

The figure of 55 dead is more than twice the previous estimate of those who died in Saturday's riot in the southeastern town, Premier Bulent Ecevit said Sunday.

He said the rioting, one of the worst civil disturbances in Turkey this year, "was a dark page in Turkish history."

The premier added that the town was quiet Sunday, under strict military control. More troops were being sent in as well as medical teams from nearby towns, he said.

The Kahraman Maras hospital director said most of the 150 people injured in the rioting had been shot with long-range rifles.

The trouble began when large groups of rightists attacked two districts of the town mainly inhabited by Shiite Muslims. Ecevit said hundreds of houses and business premises owned by leftists and Shiites had been destroyed.

Extra military units from nearby provinces besieged the city and set up roadblocks at major highways while helicopters hovered above to prevent another flareup.

Interior Minister Irfan

Ozaydini, a former air force general, was at the scene, assessing the situation. He was to be joined by four more cabinet ministers Sunday.

The confrontation was the worst in a series of politically-imposed terrorism and sectarian and ethnic troubles in rural areas that has plagued Turkey this year.

The right-wing daily "Teknogan," published in Istanbul, headlined: "Civil War Has Started" while an educational urged immediate action by the government of Premier Ecevit to prevent similar disturbances.

Saturday's disorders followed the gunshot-slayings of

two left-wing teachers by unknown attackers earlier this week.

When on Friday mourners of the slain teachers attempted to hold rites at the downtown Ulu Cami or grand mosque, a group from a rival sect attacked them.

In Friday's clashes three persons were shot dead and 39 were wounded.

More than 250 shops, public buildings and houses sustained damage in ransacking and looting. Among them were the local headquarters of Ecevit's ruling Republican People's Party and those of the Marxist Turkish Workers

Peasants Party.

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58th victim dies in Basque violence

SAN SEBASTIAN, Spain, Dec. 24 (AP)—A man was slain and his wife and little daughter were seriously wounded Saturday night in a new outbreak of violence in Spain's Basque country, police said Sunday.

Police said a San Sebastian man, Pedro Garripio, Caro, 57, was killed by armed men who entered his grocery and fired submachine gun rounds at him and his family. The attackers seriously wounded his

wife Filomena Gonzalez. Police said she was hit by eight bullets. Their 7-year-old daughter Maria Pilar, was also hit.

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Vorster says Third World must sweat for its bread

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 24 (R)—South African President John Vorster said Sunday the West was going the wrong way about helping Third World countries.

In a Christmas broadcast, the former premier, named 'head of state' in September, said more than 600 million people mostly in the Third World were deprived of education, medical care and proper jobs, and the numbers were growing.

"The Third World looks to the free world to maintain them, and in many cases holds the free world responsible for their plight. To the delight of the Communist world they blame it on the capitalism, racism and colonialism of the free world...."

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W. Indies hits brave 378 against India E. Zone XI

JAMSHEDPUR, India, Dec. 24 (AP)—The visiting West Indian batsmen amassed 378 runs for the loss of four wickets in a rampage against an Indian East Zone cricket team Sunday, the second day of a three-day match here, 250 kilometers west of Calcutta.

Earlier, the Indians declared at an overnight total of 317 for nine wickets.

The visitors went for the East Zone bowling from the word go and kept the score-board moving.

Captain Alvin Kalicharan slammed 99 before being run out in the last over before tea, going for the single that would have got him a century.

Wicketkeeper David Murray was top scorer with a splendid unbeaten innings of 158 and Sew Shivanraie plundered a quick 60.

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